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Monthly Completion Report

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REPORT ON WELL COMPLETIONS IN THE UNITED STATES[1]

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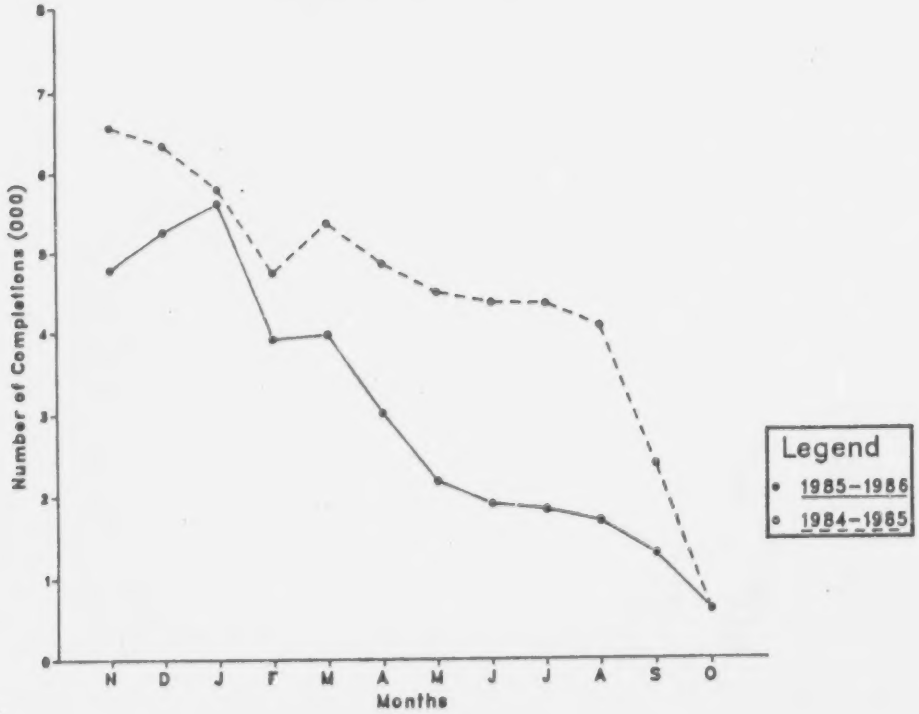

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	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1986	13,062	54,785,162	4,410	25,449,205	8,515	43,354,154	25,987	123,588,521	26,365	124,987,262
1986: OCT	249	701,807	67	267,343	287	1,448,127	603	2,417,277	605	2,421,852
SEP	564	2,346,268	167	1,080,085	559	2,877,096	1,290	6,303,449	1,301	6,353,668
AUG	683	3,047,069	292	1,634,530	715	3,416,135	1,690	8,097,734	1,715	8,186,351
JUL	770	3,472,973	361	1,927,438	696	3,524,830	1,827	8,925,241	1,866	9,057,008
JUN	837	3,590,755	379	2,185,004	685	3,277,066	1,901	9,052,825	1,925	9,151,387
MAY	1,011	4,655,705	396	2,343,623	772	3,981,206	2,179	10,980,534	2,226	11,170,389
APR	1,539	6,936,557	559	3,451,737	913	4,594,436	3,011	14,982,730	3,058	15,176,178
MAR	2,155	9,205,780	634	3,857,183	1,176	5,799,043	3,965	18,862,006	4,011	19,010,033
FEB	2,191	9,343,154	636	3,776,591	1,084	6,042,228	3,911	19,161,973	3,970	19,393,345
JAN	3,063	11,485,094	919	4,925,671	1,628	8,393,987	5,610	24,804,752	5,688	25,067,051
TOTAL 1985	34,724	137,819,049	12,206	67,694,530	20,280	100,617,207	67,210	306,130,786	68,790	311,084,415
1985: DEC	2,676	10,856,671	848	4,792,533	1,727	8,915,505	5,251	24,564,709	5,328	24,845,563
NOV	2,469	9,858,769	833	4,809,931	1,474	7,349,632	4,776	22,018,332	4,846	22,281,013
OCT	2,883	11,423,752	1,154	5,923,057	1,697	8,257,209	5,734	25,604,018	5,824	25,922,591
SEP	2,727	10,417,172	1,032	5,400,376	1,656	8,094,387	5,415	23,911,935	5,504	24,159,052
AUG	3,210	12,276,120	1,082	5,838,071	1,856	8,797,166	6,148	26,911,357	6,240	27,175,833
JUL	3,003	11,149,504	1,055	5,817,350	1,757	8,269,599	5,815	25,236,453	5,970	25,674,431
JUN	2,859	11,052,799	999	5,372,807	1,609	7,587,143	5,467	24,012,749	5,610	24,460,480
MAY	2,779	11,488,648	889	4,990,059	1,622	8,097,463	5,290	24,576,170	5,483	25,163,377
APR	2,903	11,683,081	973	5,678,402	1,684	8,397,796	5,560	25,759,279	5,712	26,182,076
MAR	3,182	12,954,178	1,084	6,217,692	1,777	8,803,766	6,043	27,975,636	6,245	28,511,650
FEB	2,779	11,547,676	1,074	6,155,202	1,488	7,788,621	5,341	25,491,499	5,478	25,944,081
JAN	3,254	13,110,679	1,183	6,699,050	1,933	10,258,920	6,370	30,068,649	6,550	30,764,068
TOTAL 1984	43,397	165,390,773	14,596	80,297,787	24,801	117,479,507	82,794	363,168,067	84,971	368,865,533
1984: DEC	3,562	13,230,442	1,307	6,829,694	2,077	10,434,988	6,946	30,495,124	7,128	30,965,699
NOV	3,692	13,819,007	1,401	7,085,587	1,996	9,720,548	7,089	30,625,142	7,266	31,107,296
OCT	3,710	14,665,461	1,344	7,261,416	2,035	9,603,905	7,089	31,530,782	7,321	32,195,241
SEP	3,624	13,322,543	1,232	6,523,759	2,061	9,444,985	6,917	29,291,287	7,057	29,662,733
AUG	3,840	14,079,890	1,390	7,459,394	2,500	11,181,194	7,730	32,720,478	7,928	33,310,056
JUL	3,883	14,534,007	1,242	6,992,678	2,269	10,220,558	7,394	31,747,243	7,578	32,229,161
JUN	3,840	14,125,366	1,302	6,934,261	2,324	10,414,734	7,466	31,474,361	7,653	31,942,206
MAY	3,677	14,115,106	1,168	6,678,339	1,946	9,436,857	6,791	30,230,302	6,968	30,642,639
APR	3,216	12,109,427	860	5,338,143	1,706	8,383,945	5,782	25,831,515	5,982	26,293,400
MAR	3,384	13,517,144	1,034	6,421,333	1,785	8,900,592	6,203	28,839,069	6,380	29,274,074
FEB	3,390	13,431,290	1,126	6,172,709	1,806	8,838,383	6,322	28,442,382	6,480	28,877,289
JAN	3,579	14,441,090	1,190	6,600,474	2,296	10,898,818	7,065	31,940,382	7,230	32,365,739
TOTAL 1983	38,078	140,429,335	12,628	69,518,896	23,533	103,017,266	74,239	312,965,497	76,265	317,724,091
TOTAL 1982	40,145	152,776,343	17,159	99,138,259	25,808	121,989,338	83,112	373,903,940	85,344	379,183,233

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF OCTOBER 31, 1986[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1986	769	4,680,993	479	3,319,942	3,767	21,899,278	5,015	29,900,213
1986: OCT	11	70,145	2	12,449	123	728,100	136	810,694
SEP	23	104,645	23	126,000	243	1,353,626	289	1,584,271
AUG	41	229,864	29	198,458	303	1,675,095	373	2,103,417
JUL	55	306,456	45	256,379	305	1,646,137	405	2,208,972
JUN	50	284,610	42	266,416	274	1,524,433	366	2,075,459
MAY	75	426,944	43	354,306	370	2,186,719	488	2,967,969
APR	97	685,055	57	475,113	406	2,364,500	560	3,524,668
MAR	114	762,094	70	558,554	520	2,981,550	704	4,302,198
FEB	118	734,781	72	519,067	491	3,159,868	681	4,413,716
JAN	185	1,076,399	96	553,200	732	4,279,250	1,013	5,908,849
TOTAL 1985	1,763	10,206,498	1,234	8,265,402	8,933	49,228,380	11,930	67,700,280
1985: DEC	145	851,668	80	531,673	840	4,772,825	1,065	6,156,166
NOV	108	637,817	87	650,675	670	3,673,836	865	4,962,328
OCT	145	803,938	85	489,497	766	4,071,103	996	5,364,538
SEP	121	653,333	75	503,058	734	3,951,945	930	5,108,336
AUG	172	1,010,106	96	626,083	813	4,236,220	1,081	5,872,409
JUL	139	798,369	91	587,364	746	3,916,461	976	5,302,194
JUN	129	657,974	113	815,700	682	3,425,593	924	4,899,267
MAY	154	899,807	123	779,966	680	3,805,113	957	5,484,886
APR	129	713,574	113	772,762	715	4,063,566	957	5,549,902
MAR	182	1,098,615	109	693,692	734	4,136,867	1,024	5,929,174
FEB	164	1,026,618	120	841,371	685	4,055,765	969	5,923,754
JAN	175	1,054,679	143	973,561	868	5,119,086	1,186	7,147,326
TOTAL 1984	2,317	12,534,150	1,560	9,825,361	11,026	58,259,742	14,903	80,619,253
1984: DEC	157	801,052	104	580,181	945	5,411,922	1,206	6,793,155
NOV	179	988,586	111	666,224	861	4,739,862	1,151	6,394,672
OCT	159	825,650	140	898,937	951	4,841,405	1,250	6,565,992
SEP	216	1,170,730	129	871,775	899	4,589,581	1,244	6,632,086
AUG	187	998,761	124	806,449	1,074	5,536,338	1,385	7,341,548
JUL	191	992,533	150	982,743	1,062	5,235,591	1,403	7,210,867
JUN	199	1,110,611	135	786,190	1,073	5,309,770	1,407	7,206,571
MAY	215	1,169,523	134	841,878	843	4,610,787	1,192	6,622,188
APR	156	918,420	99	678,757	753	4,057,351	1,008	5,654,528
MAR	216	1,200,913	152	1,035,415	743	4,181,409	1,111	6,417,737
FEB	206	1,163,415	150	889,126	812	4,442,097	1,168	6,494,638
JAN	236	1,193,956	132	787,686	1,010	5,303,629	1,378	7,285,271
TOTAL 1983	2,138	10,635,927	1,618	10,111,625	10,057	48,340,300	13,813	69,087,852
TOTAL 1982	2,486	13,509,134	2,133	14,618,788	11,216	60,242,610	15,835	88,370,532

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING OCTOBER 1986

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1986	1,062	3,842,620	530	2,790,826	739	3,478,168	2,331	10,111,614	2,351	10,202,565
1986: OCT	249	701,807	67	267,343	287	1,448,127	603	2,417,277	605	2,421,852
SEP	356	1,553,258	126	825,586	256	1,234,344	738	3,613,188	747	3,658,267
AUG	125	548,395	122	661,864	70	311,490	317	1,521,749	324	1,554,104
JUL	66	251,095	65	313,138	31	141,583	162	705,816	162	705,816
JUN	54	175,463	34	183,924	11	40,027	99	399,414	99	399,414
MAY	34	130,196	18	96,152	18	71,360	70	297,708	70	297,708
APR	43	157,940	39	197,468	19	69,258	101	424,666	101	424,666
MAR	60	184,274	19	97,938	23	79,244	102	361,456	102	361,456
FEB	34	65,383	20	73,300	9	22,601	63	161,284	63	161,284
JAN	41	74,809	20	74,113	15	60,134	76	209,056	78	217,998
TOTAL 1985	202	500,711	81	373,574	98	317,842	381	1,192,127	388	1,225,882
1985: DEC	31	81,928	10	34,378	9	44,978	50	161,284	52	174,122
NOV	18	62,847	14	67,779	7	15,779	39	146,405	39	146,405
OCT	23	62,353	9	37,459	9	24,124	41	123,936	41	123,936
SEP	22	28,503	9	36,805	14	36,791	45	102,099	47	103,849
AUG	20	42,429	5	29,618	6	8,156	31	80,203	31	80,203
JUL	14	25,470	8	31,410	14	55,357	36	112,237	38	123,047
JUN	12	30,461	7	38,993	8	30,674	27	100,128	27	100,128
MAY	7	27,772	3	13,374	5	23,661	15	64,807	16	73,164
APR	11	28,670	6	35,808	6	23,452	23	87,930	23	87,930
MAR	16	44,668	3	12,156	5	17,382	24	74,206	24	74,206
FEB	12	23,579	4	18,337	8	23,343	24	65,259	24	65,259
JAN	16	42,031	3	17,457	7	14,145	26	73,633	26	73,633
TOTAL 1984	97	210,252	26	115,587	54	112,068	177	437,907	180	450,553
1984: DEC	13	30,557	8	32,019	6	10,152	27	72,728	27	72,728
NOV	10	15,407	3	8,890	11	23,080	24	47,377	24	47,377
OCT	14	31,807	2	9,838	10	24,007	26	65,652	26	65,652
SEP	4	10,845	3	13,597	2	1,186	9	25,628	9	25,628
AUG	10	12,479	2	10,676	9	16,735	21	39,890	22	49,988
JUL	10	33,007	0	0	7	15,085	17	48,092	18	49,480
JUN	3	6,542	0	0	0	0	3	6,542	3	6,542
MAY	3	5,078	2	15,538	1	9,240	6	29,856	6	29,856
APR	5	11,673	3	10,583	1	1,036	9	23,292	9	23,292
MAR	12	22,966	2	8,546	1	1,500	15	33,012	15	33,012
FEB	3	13,514	1	5,900	3	5,311	7	24,725	7	24,725
JAN	10	16,377	0	0	3	4,736	13	21,113	14	22,273
TOTAL 1983	54	76,211	20	51,156	27	63,610	101	190,977	102	191,977
YRS PRIOR TO 1983	17	24,901	11	22,648	24	49,340	52	96,889	52	96,889
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,432	4,654,695	668	3,353,791	942	4,021,028	3,042	12,029,514	3,073	12,167,866

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of October 31, 1986. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.

2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.

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4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II.)

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by the API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.

2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

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5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period September 27, 1986 through October 31, 1986. The sub-totals shown for each yearly period may not add up to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

In 1966 the American Petroleum Institute, in conjunction with other industry associations and federal and state agencies, agreed on a set of definitions for terms used in reporting statistical information. Included were the definitions for oil wells and gas wells, which have appeared as footnotes in the API's drilling publications since 1970. In most cases these definitions were adhered to.

The one exception to this was in the state of Ohio, where a substantial number of wells produce primarily gas along with relatively small amounts of oil. The Ohio Division of Oil and Gas classified these as "combination" wells. In reporting these wells to the API, the Ohio Oil and Gas Division developed a formula for classifying these combination wells as either oil or gas. Therefore, for the years 1970 through 1985, certain wells were classified as gas wells, which under the API definitions would have been classified as oil wells.

Petroleum Information Corporation, on the other hand, adhered to the definitions established, and thus reported these wells as oil wells. Thus, beginning in 1986, when PI was retained as the source for drilling information, wells which in the past would have been reported as gas wells now are being included in the oil well category.

This change will not be too apparent for the current report period since the reporting time lag for some areas tends to minimize the impact. However, as more 1986 data are reported to the API, the shift in well classification, from gas to oil, will become evident.

Therefore, the API has modified its data base and has changed the previously reported gas wells to oil wells to coincide with the new reporting basis. Thus, the April "Monthly Completion Report" shows the number of oil wells and gas wells for the current month and all prior months on the new basis.

1/ A well which produces oil from one zone, regardless of the number of productive gas zones, is classified as an oil well. A well which produces gas from one or more zones is classified as a gas well.

The January through March, 1986 "Monthly Completion Reports" also have been reclassified and they will be made available to Subscribers on request. If you wish to receive the three prior monthly reports please write to:

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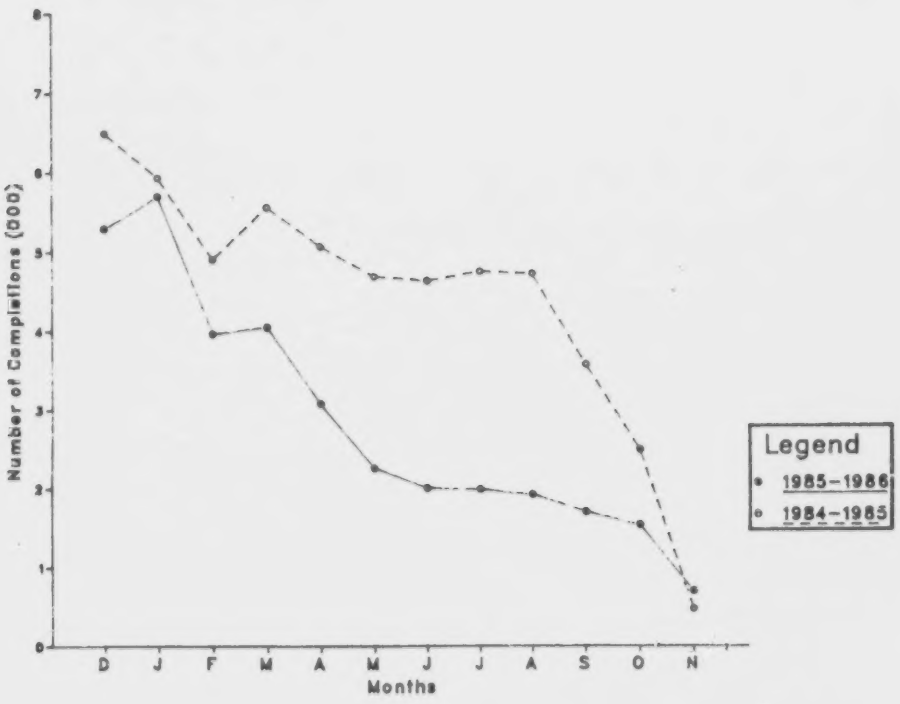

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	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1986	14,270	59,404,883	5,070	28,837,100	9,488	48,051,665	28,828	136,293,648	29,232	137,769,201
1986: NOV	257	886,875	47	318,893	390	2,004,511	694	3,210,279	698	3,225,443
OCT	691	2,582,359	234	1,341,527	603	3,052,323	1,528	6,976,209	1,541	7,024,940
SEP	759	3,169,204	292	1,712,779	642	3,290,018	1,693	8,172,001	1,707	8,225,244
AUG	766	3,371,628	383	2,003,234	763	3,564,840	1,912	8,939,702	1,938	9,029,719
JUL	819	3,648,387	431	2,221,473	730	3,650,796	1,980	9,520,656	2,019	9,892,423
JUN	869	3,658,634	423	2,361,477	705	3,355,708	1,997	9,375,819	2,025	9,482,242
MAY	1,035	4,745,617	432	2,544,151	786	4,046,033	2,253	11,335,801	2,300	11,525,656
APR	1,563	7,011,646	579	3,546,029	930	4,651,145	3,072	15,208,820	3,120	15,404,221
MAR	2,188	9,293,856	659	3,947,329	1,196	5,873,326	4,043	19,114,511	4,090	19,264,112
FEB	2,217	9,459,912	648	3,820,122	1,096	6,103,575	3,961	19,383,609	4,021	19,616,661
JAN	3,106	11,576,765	942	5,020,086	1,647	8,459,390	5,695	25,056,241	5,773	25,318,540
TOTAL 1985	34,905	138,211,549	12,289	68,037,312	20,374	100,851,329	67,568	307,100,190	69,166	312,121,385
1985: DEC	2,695	10,889,846	862	4,861,965	1,735	8,932,178	5,292	24,683,989	5,372	24,982,593
NOV	2,491	9,919,847	853	4,920,195	1,489	7,373,440	4,833	22,213,482	4,905	22,485,193
OCT	2,906	11,475,283	1,163	5,959,441	1,703	8,275,083	5,772	25,709,807	5,863	26,032,880
SEP	2,743	10,442,022	1,046	5,444,109	1,664	8,127,165	5,453	24,013,296	5,543	24,265,263
AUG	3,229	12,332,382	1,089	5,856,552	1,864	8,816,077	6,182	27,005,011	6,276	27,271,819
JUL	3,021	11,182,735	1,061	5,830,536	1,775	8,311,854	5,857	25,325,125	6,014	25,768,524
JUN	2,874	11,080,270	999	5,372,807	1,620	7,610,956	5,493	24,064,033	5,638	24,519,784
MAY	2,805	11,534,886	893	5,000,969	1,627	8,114,047	5,325	24,649,902	5,520	25,243,255
APR	2,908	11,692,896	976	5,695,318	1,686	8,400,624	5,570	25,788,838	5,722	26,211,635
MAR	3,193	12,979,722	1,085	6,223,524	1,779	8,818,102	6,057	28,021,348	6,262	28,567,079
FEB	2,784	11,562,682	1,077	6,160,826	1,495	7,806,776	5,356	25,530,284	5,493	25,982,866
JAN	3,256	13,118,978	1,185	6,711,070	1,937	10,265,027	6,378	30,095,075	6,558	30,790,494
TOTAL 1984	43,483	165,566,435	14,608	80,360,774	24,840	117,617,894	82,931	363,545,103	85,121	369,277,017
1984: DEC	3,571	13,250,316	1,310	6,847,271	2,086	10,478,432	6,967	30,576,019	7,149	31,046,594
NOV	3,701	13,837,532	1,402	7,092,487	1,998	9,735,853	7,101	30,665,872	7,278	31,148,026
OCT	3,722	14,693,832	1,347	7,271,437	2,042	9,609,998	7,111	31,575,267	7,343	32,239,726
SEP	3,631	13,331,652	1,232	6,523,759	2,071	9,467,948	6,934	29,323,359	7,075	29,694,840
AUG	3,853	14,102,134	1,390	7,459,394	2,501	11,182,215	7,744	32,743,743	7,946	33,344,736
JUL	3,893	14,550,090	1,244	7,012,789	2,269	10,220,558	7,406	31,783,437	7,592	32,272,355
JUN	3,848	14,144,605	1,305	6,944,002	2,329	10,435,371	7,482	31,523,978	7,671	31,998,838
MAY	3,680	14,120,988	1,168	6,678,339	1,947	9,446,415	6,795	30,245,742	6,976	30,667,062
APR	3,221	12,124,922	859	5,334,946	1,706	8,383,945	5,786	25,843,813	5,986	26,305,698
MAR	3,389	13,526,204	1,034	6,421,333	1,787	8,901,492	6,210	28,849,029	6,387	29,284,034
FEB	3,394	13,440,600	1,127	6,174,543	1,806	8,838,383	6,327	28,453,526	6,485	28,888,433
JAN	3,580	14,443,560	1,190	6,600,474	2,298	10,917,284	7,068	31,961,318	7,233	32,386,675
TOTAL 1983	38,119	140,502,997	12,635	69,545,185	23,566	103,124,419	74,320	313,172,601	76,348	317,932,149
TOTAL 1982	40,170	152,817,746	17,162	99,143,844	25,835	122,082,298	83,167	374,043,888	85,399	379,323,181

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TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF NOVEMBER 28, 1986[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1986	829	5,012,280	548	3,780,360	4,206	24,274,992	5,583	33,067,632
1986: NOV	12	62,067	9	51,887	190	996,818	211	1,110,772
OCT	33	212,258	21	136,160	278	1,568,186	332	1,916,604
SEP	31	149,727	34	173,756	276	1,565,322	341	1,888,805
AUG	46	247,974	40	266,399	326	1,752,176	412	2,266,549
JUL	62	344,090	53	340,385	320	1,726,832	435	2,411,307
JUN	53	294,753	45	288,928	278	1,554,412	376	2,138,093
MAY	76	433,342	43	354,306	376	2,218,623	495	3,006,271
APR	96	674,391	60	500,310	410	2,384,862	566	3,559,563
MAR	114	762,094	71	563,662	523	3,003,220	708	4,328,976
FEB	120	753,217	74	532,672	493	3,186,023	687	4,471,912
JAN	186	1,078,367	98	571,895	736	4,318,518	1,020	5,968,780
TOTAL 1985	1,765	10,208,788	1,238	8,299,910	8,957	49,310,877	11,960	67,819,575
1985: DEC	146	852,558	81	535,731	840	4,772,018	1,067	6,160,307
NOV	108	637,817	88	657,075	672	3,680,575	868	4,975,467
OCT	145	803,938	85	489,497	768	4,072,852	998	5,366,287
SEP	121	653,333	76	519,708	738	3,972,873	935	5,145,914
AUG	172	1,010,106	96	626,083	814	4,236,900	1,082	5,873,089
JUL	139	798,369	91	587,364	751	3,931,852	981	5,317,585
JUN	129	657,974	113	815,700	687	3,444,028	929	4,917,702
MAY	154	899,807	123	779,966	682	3,813,115	959	5,492,888
APR	129	713,574	113	772,762	715	4,063,566	957	5,549,902
MAR	183	1,100,015	108	693,692	735	4,146,997	1,026	5,940,704
FEB	164	1,026,618	120	841,371	686	4,056,365	970	5,924,354
JAN	175	1,054,679	144	980,961	869	5,119,736	1,188	7,155,376
TOTAL 1984	2,318	12,547,228	1,562	9,845,472	11,053	58,348,238	14,933	80,740,938
1984: DEC	157	801,052	104	580,181	947	5,426,427	1,208	6,807,660
NOV	179	988,586	111	666,224	862	4,742,662	1,152	6,397,472
OCT	159	825,650	140	898,937	958	4,847,498	1,257	6,572,085
SEP	216	1,170,730	129	871,775	908	4,609,424	1,253	6,651,929
AUG	187	998,761	124	806,449	1,074	5,536,338	1,385	7,341,548
JUL	191	992,533	152	1,002,854	1,062	5,235,591	1,405	7,230,978
JUN	200	1,123,689	135	786,190	1,078	5,330,407	1,413	7,240,286
MAY	215	1,169,523	134	841,878	845	4,622,042	1,194	6,633,443
APR	156	918,420	99	678,757	753	4,057,351	1,008	5,654,528
MAR	216	1,200,913	152	1,035,415	743	4,181,409	1,111	6,417,737
FEB	206	1,163,415	150	889,126	812	4,442,097	1,168	6,494,638
JAN	236	1,193,956	132	787,686	1,011	5,316,992	1,379	7,298,634
TOTAL 1983	2,138	10,635,927	1,618	10,111,625	10,062	48,348,037	13,818	69,095,589
TOTAL 1982	2,487	13,511,927	2,133	14,618,788	11,220	60,261,907	15,840	88,392,622

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING NOVEMBER 1986

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLE		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1986	947	3,623,203	554	2,859,247	827	3,970,697	2,328	10,453,147	2,349	10,522,536
1986: NOV	257	886,875	47	318,893	390	2,004,511	694	3,210,279	698	3,225,443
OCT	326	1,440,728	145	898,050	216	1,093,757	687	3,432,535	697	3,473,341
SEP	144	555,004	105	521,223	70	297,434	319	1,373,661	323	1,380,685
AUG	63	231,677	78	281,300	38	118,499	179	631,476	180	632,876
JUL	40	141,047	64	288,263	28	90,061	132	519,371	132	519,371
JUN	28	68,895	38	156,451	18	64,590	84	289,936	86	294,931
MAY	15	63,555	23	146,846	11	60,250	49	270,651	49	270,651
APR	16	48,113	16	80,049	11	44,228	43	172,390	43	172,390
MAR	15	47,691	18	72,733	21	94,541	54	214,965	54	214,965
FEB	20	83,589	10	37,442	11	60,083	41	181,114	41	181,114
JAN	23	56,029	10	57,997	13	42,743	46	156,769	46	156,769
TOTAL 1985	127	270,625	47	203,782	55	169,351	229	643,758	240	687,159
1985: DEC	11	21,115	7	33,935	7	15,220	25	70,270	27	79,330
NOV	14	48,476	11	75,051	8	14,574	33	138,101	35	147,131
OCT	15	29,425	5	23,484	2	7,353	22	60,262	23	64,762
SEP	16	31,894	8	16,461	5	22,256	29	70,611	30	75,461
AUG	14	37,131	5	12,204	5	15,565	24	64,900	25	65,582
JUL	13	22,494	2	6,108	11	39,234	26	67,836	27	72,636
JUN	12	16,303	0	0	7	20,457	19	36,760	19	36,760
MAY	17	20,036	2	3,407	2	7,210	21	30,653	22	35,339
APR	1	442	2	15,488	0	0	3	15,930	3	15,930
MAR	9	25,551	0	0	1	8,075	10	33,626	12	39,419
FEB	3	10,299	3	5,624	5	16,002	11	31,925	11	31,925
JAN	2	7,459	2	12,020	2	3,405	6	22,884	6	22,884
TOTAL 1984	65	141,255	12	62,186	12	47,604	89	251,045	98	282,581
1984: DEC	6	13,946	2	13,579	3	13,039	11	40,564	11	40,564
NOV	5	4,106	1	6,900	0	0	6	11,006	6	11,006
OCT	5	14,298	3	10,021	1	539	9	24,858	9	24,858
SEP	6	7,872	0	0	3	5,102	9	12,974	9	12,974
AUG	10	11,536	0	0	0	0	10	11,536	13	22,036
JUL	8	14,267	2	20,111	0	0	10	34,378	12	41,378
JUN	7	23,423	3	9,741	0	0	10	33,164	12	40,179
MAY	3	5,882	0	0	1	9,558	4	15,440	6	22,461
APR	6	18,735	0	0	0	0	6	18,735	6	18,735
MAR	6	17,730	0	0	2	900	8	18,630	8	18,630
FEB	2	6,990	1	1,834	0	0	3	8,824	3	8,824
JAN	1	2,470	0	0	2	18,466	3	20,936	3	20,936
TOTAL 1983	33	47,454	7	23,973	23	88,561	63	159,988	63	159,988
YRS PRIOR TO 1983	12	17,999	1	1,950	22	83,121	35	103,070	35	103,070
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,184	4,100,536	621	3,151,138	939	4,359,334	2,744	11,611,008	2,785	11,755,334

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of November 28, 1986. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.

2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.

3. Includes multiple completion wells which produce gas from all zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well. Gas wells also include so-called condensate wells.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II.)

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by the API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.

2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells.

5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period November 1, 1986 through November 28, 1986. The sub-totals shown for each yearly period may not add up to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

In 1966 the American Petroleum Institute, in conjunction with other industry associations and federal and state agencies, agreed on a set of definitions for terms used in reporting statistical information. Included were the definitions for oil wells and gas wells, which have appeared as footnotes in the API's drilling publications since 1970. In most cases these definitions were adhered to.

The one exception to this was in the state of Ohio, where a substantial number of wells produce primarily gas along with relatively small amounts of oil. The Ohio Division of Oil and Gas classified these as "combination" wells. In reporting these wells to the API, the Ohio Oil and Gas Division developed a formula for classifying these combination wells as either oil or gas. Therefore, for the years 1970 through 1985, certain wells were classified as gas wells, which under the API definitions would have been classified as oil wells.

Petroleum Information Corporation, on the other hand, adhered to the definitions established, and thus reported these wells as oil wells. Thus, beginning in 1986, when PI was retained as the source for drilling information, wells which in the past would have been reported as gas wells now are being included in the oil well category.

This change will not be too apparent for the current report period since the reporting time lag for some areas tends to minimize the impact. However, as more 1986 data are reported to the API, the shift in well classification, from gas to oil, will become evident.

Therefore, the API has modified its data base and has changed the previously reported gas wells to oil wells to coincide with the new reporting basis. Thus, the April "Monthly Completion Report" shows the number of oil wells and gas wells for the current month and all prior months on the new basis.

1/ A well which produces oil from one zone, regardless of the number of productive gas zones, is classified as an oil well. A well which produces gas from one or more zones is classified as a gas well.

The January through March, 1986 "Monthly Completion Reports" also have been reclassified and they will be made available to Subscribers on request. If you wish to receive the three prior monthly reports please write to:

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Monthly Completion Report

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REPORT ON WELL COMPLETIONS IN THE UNITED STATES[1]

Wells actually completed in the current month may not be reported until several months later. The chart shown below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions for the current month and each of the eleven prior months, as now reported to the API. For comparison purposes, a corresponding curve describes the data, as then reported to the API, for the same twelve-month period a year ago.

These data are preliminary and subject to revision. The number of wells shown in the chart excludes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. The geographic distribution for wells and footage is not published on a monthly basis, but is available from the API's "Quarterly Completion Report."

Cumulative Number of Wells Reported as Completed
For Each of the Past 12 Months

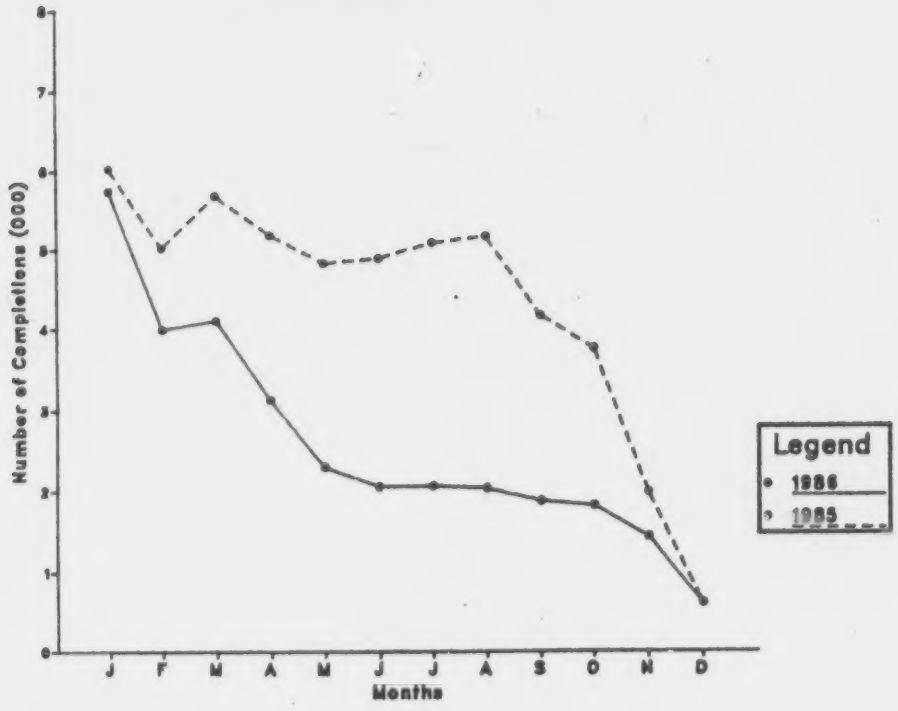

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF DECEMBER 26, 1986[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1986	15,266	63,276,289	5,534	31,385,160	10,275	51,875,516	31,075	146,536,965	31,533	148,169,807
1986: DEC	235	915,266	49	311,730	328	1,559,476	612	2,786,472	617	2,804,838
NOV	637	2,402,394	153	1,043,122	640	3,324,189	1,430	6,769,705	1,447	6,828,282
OCT	824	3,173,381	319	1,838,295	669	3,361,776	1,812	8,373,452	1,842	8,478,948
SEP	824	3,376,336	375	2,080,710	669	3,390,469	1,868	8,847,515	1,884	8,903,906
AUG	810	3,492,231	430	2,244,157	786	3,628,584	2,026	9,364,972	2,053	9,455,579
JUL	849	3,772,694	453	2,278,742	753	3,741,403	2,055	9,792,839	2,095	9,924,525
JUN	887	3,729,018	442	2,427,008	714	3,422,118	2,043	9,578,144	2,073	9,688,465
MAY	1,048	4,786,246	442	2,589,756	798	4,107,784	2,288	11,483,786	2,343	11,694,792
APR	1,588	7,101,602	589	3,607,940	942	4,736,115	3,119	15,445,657	3,169	15,644,873
MAR	2,209	9,378,392	671	3,989,471	1,214	5,977,482	4,094	19,345,345	4,144	19,500,870
FEB	2,226	9,496,882	656	3,876,779	1,104	6,117,472	3,986	19,491,133	4,046	19,724,185
JAN	3,129	11,651,847	955	5,097,450	1,658	8,508,648	5,742	25,257,945	5,820	25,520,244
TOTAL 1985	34,982	138,401,421	12,334	68,301,332	20,420	101,016,500	67,736	307,719,253	69,335	312,741,002
1985: DEC	2,705	10,931,472	871	4,923,930	1,743	8,964,916	5,319	24,820,318	5,399	25,118,925
NOV	2,500	9,961,091	857	4,929,514	1,494	7,394,658	4,851	22,285,263	4,923	22,556,974
OCT	2,911	11,491,214	1,172	6,002,134	1,706	8,279,646	5,789	25,772,994	5,880	26,096,067
SEP	2,751	10,459,872	1,051	5,482,603	1,668	8,137,015	5,470	24,079,490	5,560	24,331,457
AUG	3,237	12,351,584	1,091	5,878,155	1,866	8,821,606	6,194	27,051,345	6,288	27,318,153
JUL	3,031	11,195,685	1,064	5,840,665	1,777	8,326,505	5,872	25,362,855	6,029	25,806,254
JUN	2,886	11,095,842	1,001	5,377,818	1,625	7,632,906	5,512	24,106,566	5,657	24,562,317
MAY	2,814	11,541,985	895	5,017,008	1,629	8,122,506	5,338	24,681,499	5,533	25,274,852
APR	2,909	11,696,716	979	5,708,238	1,691	8,414,714	5,579	25,819,668	5,731	26,242,465
MAR	3,195	12,984,487	1,087	6,236,167	1,785	8,830,226	6,067	28,050,880	6,273	28,597,162
FEB	2,785	11,565,647	1,077	6,160,826	1,495	7,806,560	5,357	25,533,033	5,494	25,985,615
JAN	3,258	13,125,826	1,189	6,744,274	1,941	10,285,242	6,388	30,155,342	6,568	30,850,761
TOTAL 1984	43,515	165,715,596	14,627	80,430,760	24,864	117,704,092	83,006	363,850,448	85,196	369,582,362
1984: DEC	3,572	13,257,777	1,313	6,859,330	2,089	10,490,937	6,974	30,608,044	7,156	31,078,619
NOV	3,701	13,840,332	1,402	7,092,487	2,007	9,767,767	7,110	30,700,586	7,287	31,182,740
OCT	3,724	14,701,072	1,348	7,278,731	2,046	9,623,994	7,118	31,603,797	7,350	32,268,256
SEP	3,633	13,334,037	1,233	6,527,688	2,072	9,466,166	6,938	29,327,891	7,079	29,699,372
AUG	3,857	14,126,213	1,390	7,456,675	2,503	11,195,100	7,750	32,777,988	7,952	33,378,981
JUL	3,896	14,566,318	1,248	7,027,901	2,270	10,228,853	7,414	31,823,072	7,600	32,311,990
JUN	3,856	14,181,664	1,307	6,951,162	2,330	10,435,686	7,493	31,568,512	7,682	32,043,372
MAY	3,681	14,121,889	1,168	6,678,339	1,948	9,449,245	6,797	30,249,473	6,978	30,670,793
APR	3,225	12,146,874	860	5,338,143	1,708	8,389,517	5,793	25,874,534	5,993	26,336,419
MAR	3,391	13,536,794	1,035	6,421,547	1,786	8,899,202	6,212	28,857,543	6,389	29,292,548
FEB	3,395	13,447,552	1,128	6,178,456	1,806	8,838,383	6,329	28,464,391	6,487	28,899,298
JAN	3,584	14,455,074	1,195	6,620,301	2,299	10,919,242	7,078	31,994,617	7,243	32,419,974
TOTAL 1983	38,130	140,534,357	12,646	69,594,597	23,590	103,198,859	74,366	313,327,813	76,395	318,093,922
TOTAL 1982	40,182	152,851,601	17,167	99,160,005	25,844	122,108,105	83,193	374,119,711	85,426	379,401,113

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF DECEMBER 26, 1986[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1986	892	5,366,408	601	4,076,499	4,594	26,194,415	6,087	35,637,322
1986: DEC	12	78,846	5	22,516	169	780,134	186	881,496
NOV	28	176,977	23	136,377	319	1,713,665	370	2,027,019
OCT	39	251,758	29	196,852	309	1,733,430	377	2,182,040
SEP	36	151,202	45	235,657	284	1,587,834	365	1,974,693
AUG	52	277,777	44	287,386	337	1,793,686	433	2,358,849
JUL	70	396,621	54	314,901	330	1,758,028	454	2,469,550
JUN	56	303,917	46	292,040	285	1,620,611	387	2,216,568
MAY	76	432,513	44	370,758	390	2,242,913	500	3,046,184
APR	99	688,941	62	509,377	414	2,401,597	575	3,599,915
MAR	118	780,665	72	569,188	533	3,077,084	723	4,426,937
FEB	119	745,854	76	544,112	493	3,146,527	688	4,436,493
JAN	187	1,081,337	101	597,335	741	4,338,906	1,029	6,017,578
TOTAL 1985	1,771	10,232,301	1,243	8,348,847	8,971	49,359,759	11,985	67,940,907
1985: DEC	147	853,819	83	569,243	841	4,774,643	1,071	6,197,705
NOV	109	644,180	88	657,075	675	3,699,382	872	5,000,637
OCT	146	815,503	85	489,497	770	4,076,368	1,001	5,381,368
SEP	121	653,333	77	528,320	738	3,972,873	936	5,154,526
AUG	173	1,012,870	96	626,083	814	4,239,820	1,083	5,878,773
JUL	140	799,149	91	587,364	751	3,919,810	982	5,306,323
JUN	129	657,974	114	817,000	690	3,460,538	933	4,935,512
MAY	155	900,587	123	779,966	682	3,813,115	960	5,493,668
APR	129	713,574	113	772,762	717	4,065,548	959	5,551,884
MAR	183	1,100,015	108	693,692	736	4,150,164	1,027	5,943,871
FEB	164	1,026,618	120	841,371	686	4,056,365	970	5,924,354
JAN	175	1,054,679	145	986,474	871	5,131,133	1,191	7,172,286
TOTAL 1984	2,320	12,569,417	1,565	9,858,157	11,064	58,384,218	14,949	80,811,792
1984: DEC	157	801,052	105	584,011	949	5,434,722	1,211	6,819,785
NOV	179	988,586	111	666,224	865	4,753,817	1,155	6,408,627
OCT	159	825,650	140	898,937	961	4,859,978	1,260	6,584,565
SEP	216	1,170,730	129	871,775	908	4,606,902	1,253	6,649,407
AUG	187	998,761	124	806,449	1,075	5,537,338	1,386	7,342,548
JUL	191	992,533	153	1,011,495	1,062	5,235,591	1,406	7,239,619
JUN	201	1,137,164	135	786,190	1,078	5,330,407	1,414	7,253,761
MAY	215	1,169,523	134	841,878	845	4,622,042	1,194	6,633,443
APR	156	918,420	99	678,757	755	4,062,923	1,010	5,660,100
MAR	217	1,209,627	153	1,035,629	743	4,181,409	1,113	6,426,665
FEB	206	1,163,415	150	889,126	812	4,442,097	1,168	6,494,638
JAN	236	1,193,956	132	787,686	1,011	5,316,992	1,379	7,298,634
TOTAL 1983	2,140	10,647,437	1,619	10,116,645	10,062	48,344,516	13,821	69,108,598
TOTAL 1982	2,488	13,516,127	2,132	14,616,499	11,222	60,274,438	15,842	88,407,064

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING DECEMBER 1986

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1986	968	3,711,863	462	2,552,550	760	3,607,868	2,190	9,872,281	2,241	10,032,659
1986: DEC	235	915,266	49	311,730	328	1,559,476	612	2,786,472	617	2,804,838
NOV	380	1,512,237	109	756,229	253	1,350,635	742	3,619,101	755	3,662,514
OCT	132	588,360	85	472,901	66	278,760	283	1,340,021	298	1,395,098
SEP	62	187,075	84	380,780	30	129,446	176	697,301	178	700,449
AUG	44	137,227	46	231,446	23	66,545	113	435,218	114	436,108
JUL	28	101,296	21	85,733	15	31,048	64	218,077	66	223,908
JUN	17	55,681	20	74,262	7	54,206	44	184,149	46	188,047
MAY	12	37,818	10	43,606	8	29,193	30	110,617	39	133,272
APR	17	50,631	9	53,962	6	26,914	32	131,507	33	134,357
MAR	15	54,041	11	40,485	9	33,749	35	128,275	36	132,525
FEB	9	27,320	6	34,415	6	9,588	21	71,323	21	71,323
JAN	17	44,911	12	67,001	9	38,308	38	150,220	38	150,220
TOTAL 1985	68	140,141	41	244,504	42	152,408	151	537,053	152	537,604
1985: DEC	7	27,107	7	53,474	8	26,624	22	107,205	22	107,205
NOV	8	28,459	4	9,319	2	4,157	14	41,935	14	41,935
OCT	4	4,366	9	42,693	2	1,973	15	49,032	15	49,032
SEP	8	17,850	4	29,882	3	5,550	15	53,282	15	53,282
AUG	6	14,855	2	21,603	3	8,119	11	44,577	11	44,577
JUL	9	10,413	2	7,720	3	29,228	14	47,361	14	47,361
JUN	12	15,572	2	5,000	4	14,000	18	34,572	18	34,572
MAY	9	7,099	2	16,046	0	0	11	23,145	11	23,145
APR	1	3,820	3	12,920	6	26,040	10	42,780	10	42,780
MAR	1	798	2	12,643	6	14,457	9	27,898	10	28,449
FEB	1	2,965	0	0	1	2,045	2	5,010	2	5,010
JAN	2	6,837	4	33,204	4	20,215	10	60,256	10	60,256
TOTAL 1984	25	91,544	14	51,846	19	67,321	58	210,711	58	210,711
1984: DEC	1	1,847	3	12,059	3	12,755	7	26,661	7	26,661
NOV	1	5,200	0	0	6	28,027	7	33,227	7	33,227
OCT	1	6,140	1	7,294	4	13,996	6	27,430	6	27,430
SEP	2	2,385	1	3,929	1	740	4	7,054	4	7,054
AUG	3	15,039	1	2,881	1	1,200	5	19,120	5	19,120
JUL	2	8,528	4	15,112	0	0	6	23,640	6	23,640
JUN	5	7,775	2	7,160	1	315	8	15,250	8	15,250
MAY	1	901	0	0	1	2,830	2	3,731	2	3,731
APR	3	21,127	1	3,197	0	0	4	24,324	4	24,324
MAR	3	12,290	1	214	1	5,500	5	18,004	5	18,004
FEB	1	6,952	0	0	0	0	1	6,952	1	6,952
JAN	2	3,360	0	0	1	1,958	3	5,318	3	5,318
TOTAL 1983	8	19,857	7	32,502	25	91,157	40	143,516	41	150,077
YRS PRIOR TO 1983	10	27,473	4	18,032	15	51,551	29	97,056	30	99,165
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,079	3,990,878	528	2,899,434	861	3,970,305	2,468	10,860,617	2,522	11,030,216

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of December 26, 1986. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.

2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.

3. Includes multiple completion wells which produce gas from all zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well. Gas wells also include so-called condensate wells.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II.)

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by the API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.

2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells.

5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period November 29, 1986 through December 26, 1986. The sub-totals shown for each yearly period may not add up to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

In 1966 the American Petroleum Institute, in conjunction with other industry associations and federal and state agencies, agreed on a set of definitions for terms used in reporting statistical information. Included were the definitions for oil wells and gas wells, which have appeared as footnotes in the API's drilling publications since 1970. In most cases these definitions were adhered to.

The one exception to this was in the state of Ohio, where a substantial number of wells produce primarily gas along with relatively small amounts of oil. The Ohio Division of Oil and Gas classified these as "combination" wells. In reporting these wells to the API, the Ohio Oil and Gas Division developed a formula for classifying these combination wells as either oil or gas. Therefore, for the years 1970 through 1985, certain wells were classified as gas wells, which under the API definitions would have been classified as oil wells.

Petroleum Information Corporation, on the other hand, adhered to the definitions established, and thus reported these wells as oil wells. Thus, beginning in 1986, when PI was retained as the source for drilling information, wells which in the past would have been reported as gas wells now are being included in the oil well category.

This change will not be too apparent for the current report period since the reporting time lag for some areas tends to minimize the impact. However, as more 1986 data are reported to the API, the shift in well classification, from gas to oil, will become evident.

Therefore, the API has modified its data base and has changed the previously reported gas wells to oil wells to coincide with the new reporting basis. Thus, the April "Monthly Completion Report" shows the number of oil wells and gas wells for the current month and all prior months on the new basis.

1/ A well which produces oil from one zone, regardless of the number of productive gas zones, is classified as an oil well. A well which produces gas from one or more zones is classified as a gas well.

The January through March, 1986 "Monthly Completion Reports" also have been reclassified and they will be made available to Subscribers on request. If you wish to receive the three prior monthly reports please write to:

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Wells actually completed in the current month may not be reported until several months later. The chart shown below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions for the current month and each of the eleven prior months, as now reported to the API. For comparison purposes, a corresponding curve describes the data, as then reported to the API, for the same twelve-month period a year ago.

These data are preliminary and subject to revision. The number of wells shown in the chart excludes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. The geographic distribution for wells and footage is not published on a monthly basis, but is available from the API's "Quarterly Completion Report."

Cumulative Number of Wells Reported as Completed For Each of the Past 12 Months

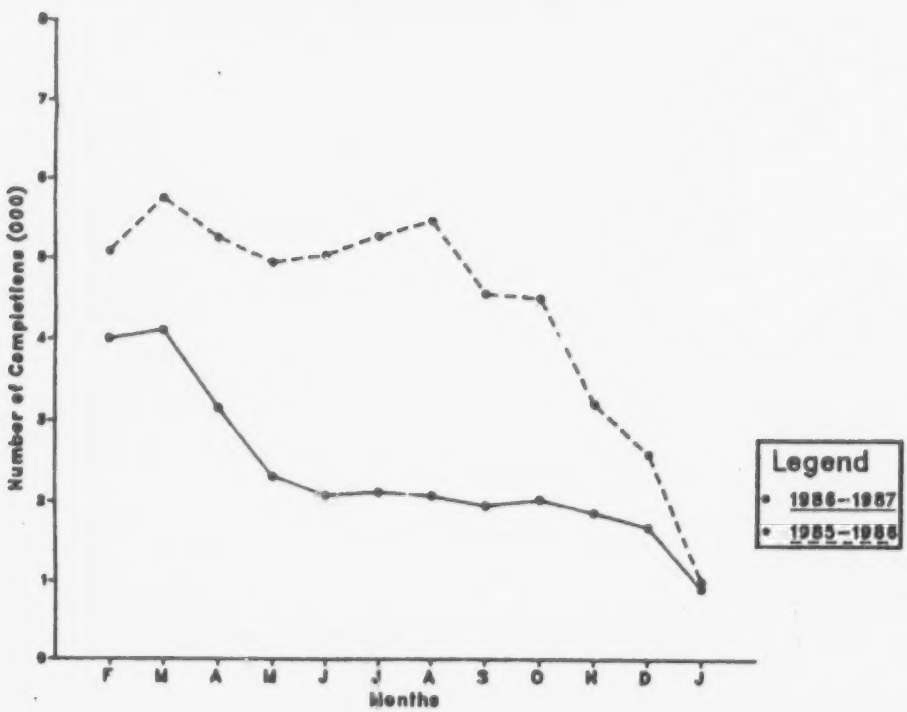

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF JANUARY 30, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	377	1,561,926	70	426,880	463	2,422,120	910	4,410,926	912	4,418,989
1987: JAN	377	1,561,926	70	426,880	463	2,422,120	910	4,410,926	912	4,418,989
TOTAL 1986	16,222	67,155,769	6,032	34,341,893	10,853	54,827,086	33,107	156,324,748	33,607	158,085,795
1986: DEC	722	2,946,043	244	1,570,351	714	3,724,259	1,680	8,240,653	1,712	8,355,815
NOV	864	3,282,048	280	1,805,537	719	3,679,340	1,863	8,766,925	1,885	8,840,320
OCT	927	3,653,374	397	2,272,267	701	3,466,189	2,025	9,391,830	2,059	9,508,706
SEP	860	3,486,379	401	2,193,412	686	3,479,497	1,947	9,159,288	1,964	9,218,572
AUG	833	3,581,743	439	2,298,575	796	3,641,353	2,068	9,521,671	2,096	9,617,871
JUL	876	3,868,142	473	2,381,432	765	3,776,236	2,114	10,025,810	2,154	10,157,496
JUN	897	3,776,177	451	2,484,964	724	3,484,654	2,072	9,745,795	2,101	9,853,098
MAY	1,054	4,803,150	449	2,623,190	804	4,134,199	2,307	11,560,539	2,359	11,760,426
APR	1,602	7,188,690	596	3,632,630	952	4,766,202	3,150	15,587,522	3,205	15,792,072
MAR	2,211	9,375,589	679	4,036,319	1,220	6,004,185	4,110	19,416,093	4,161	19,572,543
FEB	2,236	9,515,577	662	3,911,977	1,106	6,121,385	4,004	19,548,939	4,065	19,783,394
JAN	3,140	11,678,857	961	5,131,239	1,666	8,549,587	5,767	25,359,683	5,846	25,625,482
TOTAL 1985	35,044	138,562,649	12,360	68,412,753	20,462	101,160,768	67,866	308,136,170	69,467	313,160,799
1985: DEC	2,716	10,966,081	875	4,940,241	1,749	8,983,993	5,340	24,890,315	5,421	25,190,237
NOV	2,507	9,978,405	860	4,936,006	1,498	7,416,120	4,865	22,330,531	4,937	22,602,242
OCT	2,913	11,495,101	1,175	6,019,173	1,715	8,296,908	5,803	25,811,182	5,895	26,135,820
SEP	2,757	10,478,890	1,054	5,493,625	1,673	8,152,191	5,484	24,124,706	5,574	24,376,673
AUG	3,250	12,376,617	1,093	5,889,550	1,869	8,825,635	6,212	27,091,802	6,306	27,358,610
JUL	3,036	11,203,375	1,066	5,851,475	1,782	8,340,947	5,884	25,395,797	6,041	25,839,196
JUN	2,892	11,116,993	1,005	5,393,004	1,626	7,636,178	5,523	24,146,175	5,668	24,601,926
MAY	2,818	11,552,051	897	5,033,048	1,630	8,133,721	5,345	24,718,820	5,540	25,312,173
APR	2,911	11,704,087	981	5,715,359	1,694	8,417,263	5,586	25,836,709	5,738	26,259,506
MAR	3,196	12,986,157	1,087	6,236,167	1,789	8,864,621	6,072	28,086,945	6,278	28,633,227
FEB	2,787	11,571,690	1,078	6,160,831	1,496	7,807,949	5,361	25,540,470	5,498	25,993,052
JAN	3,261	13,133,202	1,189	6,744,274	1,941	10,285,242	6,391	30,162,718	6,571	30,858,137
TOTAL 1984	43,538	165,779,735	14,640	80,482,291	24,879	117,765,526	83,057	364,027,552	85,252	369,761,982
TOTAL 1983	38,137	140,556,462	12,650	69,602,199	23,607	103,243,167	74,394	313,401,828	76,423	318,167,937

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TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF JANUARY 30, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	32	161,408	13	84,373	235	1,359,517	280	1,605,298
1987: JAN	32	161,408	13	84,373	235	1,359,517	280	1,605,298
TOTAL 1986	954	5,748,547	654	4,473,428	4,893	27,899,698	6,501	38,121,673
1986: DEC	44	309,256	21	128,623	385	2,107,186	450	2,545,065
NOV	42	247,246	39	270,037	357	1,908,910	438	2,426,193
OCT	46	289,418	37	268,834	318	1,755,352	401	2,313,604
SEP	38	159,941	51	260,851	292	1,620,211	381	2,041,003
AUG	51	273,790	45	299,744	341	1,797,666	437	2,371,200
JUL	74	412,683	57	332,100	333	1,769,548	464	2,514,331
JUN	57	310,441	47	299,717	292	1,669,412	396	2,279,570
MAY	77	437,074	45	377,355	384	2,259,215	506	3,073,644
APR	100	696,941	62	509,377	420	2,422,178	582	3,628,496
MAR	118	780,666	72	569,188	534	3,079,889	724	4,429,743
FEB	120	749,754	76	544,112	493	3,146,527	689	4,440,393
JAN	187	1,081,337	102	613,490	744	4,363,604	1,033	6,058,431
TOTAL 1985	1,773	10,240,211	1,246	8,370,906	8,982	49,419,831	12,001	68,030,948
1985: DEC	147	853,819	83	569,243	843	4,787,200	1,073	6,210,262
NOV	109	644,180	88	657,075	676	3,709,163	873	5,010,418
OCT	146	815,503	86	498,147	770	4,076,368	1,002	5,390,018
SEP	121	653,333	78	536,339	740	3,978,836	939	5,168,508
AUG	173	1,012,870	97	631,473	815	4,240,520	1,085	5,884,863
JUL	140	799,149	91	587,364	752	3,924,384	983	5,310,897
JUN	131	665,884	114	817,000	691	3,463,810	936	4,946,694
MAY	155	900,587	123	779,966	683	3,824,330	961	5,504,883
APR	129	713,574	113	772,762	717	4,065,548	959	5,551,884
MAR	183	1,100,015	108	693,692	738	4,162,174	1,029	5,955,881
FEB	164	1,026,618	120	841,371	686	4,056,365	970	5,924,354
JAN	175	1,054,679	145	986,474	871	5,131,133	1,191	7,172,286
TOTAL 1984	2,321	12,570,067	1,565	9,858,157	11,069	58,413,528	14,955	80,841,752
TOTAL 1983	2,140	10,647,437	1,619	10,116,645	10,063	48,346,765	13,822	69,110,847

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING JANUARY 1987

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	377	1,561,926	70	426,880	463	2,422,120	910	4,410,926	912	4,418,989
1987: JAN	377	1,561,926	70	426,880	463	2,422,120	910	4,410,926	912	4,418,989
TOTAL 1986	951	3,875,944	494	2,930,975	579	2,971,823	2,024	9,778,742	2,066	9,906,947
1986: DEC	489	2,047,612	194	1,254,596	385	2,145,977	1,068	5,448,185	1,081	5,503,142
NOV	225	864,974	127	759,466	79	373,703	431	1,998,143	445	2,039,765
OCT	102	478,020	77	425,258	33	119,290	212	1,022,568	216	1,033,948
SEP	36	108,928	24	110,751	18	92,570	78	312,249	79	315,142
AUG	25	99,099	12	68,195	10	12,389	47	179,683	48	184,976
JUL	26	89,832	20	102,690	13	42,868	59	235,390	59	235,390
JUN	9	43,135	9	57,956	9	58,386	27	159,477	27	159,477
MAY	6	15,864	7	33,428	8	35,017	21	84,309	22	85,207
APR	9	51,597	7	24,678	10	30,087	26	106,362	31	111,696
MAR	5	19,513	7	38,748	3	8,305	15	66,566	16	67,491
FEB	9	33,369	4	21,420	3	16,565	16	71,354	17	72,757
JAN	10	24,001	6	33,789	8	36,666	24	94,456	25	97,956
TOTAL 1985	59	145,780	24	97,169	38	125,299	121	368,248	123	371,128
1985: DEC	10	24,833	3	6,226	7	25,216	20	56,275	21	57,590
NOV	7	17,309	2	5,792	2	12,474	11	34,575	11	34,575
OCT	3	6,175	4	18,639	9	17,262	16	42,076	17	43,641
SEP	6	19,018	3	11,022	5	13,560	14	43,600	14	43,600
AUG	13	25,033	2	11,395	3	4,029	18	40,457	18	40,457
JUL	4	6,940	1	6,743	3	3,210	8	16,893	8	16,893
JUN	4	13,946	4	15,186	0	0	8	29,132	8	29,132
MAY	4	10,066	2	16,040	1	11,215	7	37,321	7	37,321
APR	2	7,371	2	7,121	3	2,549	7	17,041	7	17,041
MAR	1	1,670	0	0	4	34,395	5	36,065	5	36,065
FEB	2	6,043	1	5	1	1,389	4	7,437	4	7,437
JAN	3	7,376	0	0	0	0	3	7,376	3	7,376
TOTAL 1984	19	44,811	9	24,306	11	34,380	39	103,497	42	105,975
YRS PRIOR TO 1984	24	52,148	13	109,860	31	72,081	68	234,089	68	234,089
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,430	5,680,609	610	3,589,190	1,122	5,625,703	3,162	14,895,502	3,211	15,037,128

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE I AND TABLE II:

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2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

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REPORT ON WELL COMPLETIONS IN THE UNITED STATES[1]

Wells actually completed in the current month may not be reported until several months later. The chart shown below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions for the current month and each of the eleven prior months, as now reported to the API. For comparison purposes, a corresponding curve describes the data, as then reported to the API, for the same twelve-month period a year ago.

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Cumulative Number of Wells Reported as Completed
For Each of the Past 12 Months

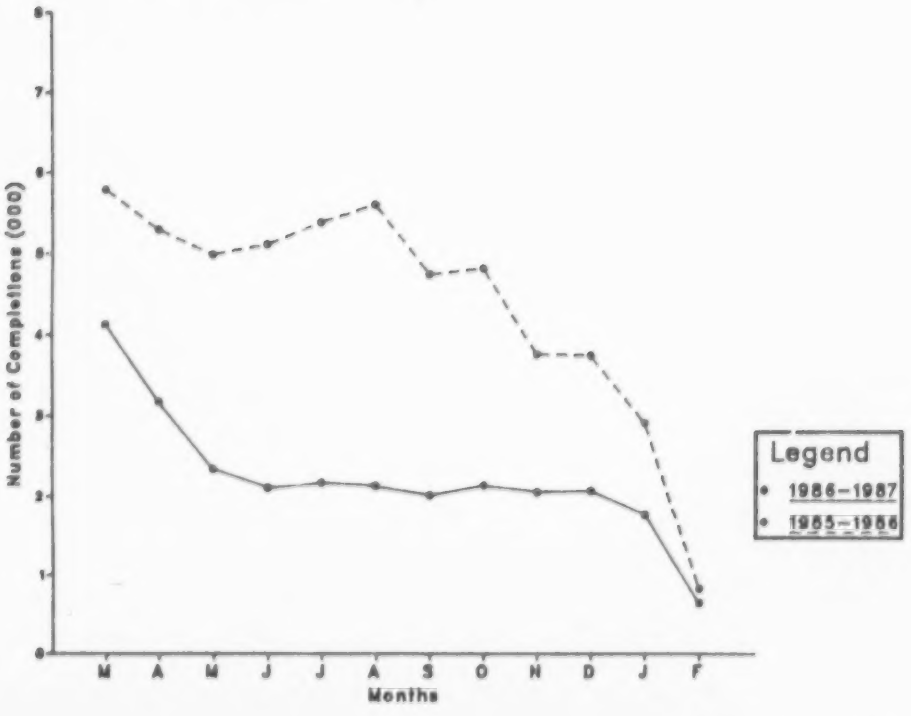

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF FEBRUARY 27, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	1,070	4,634,752	341	2,154,595	978	5,305,048	2,389	12,094,395	2,410	12,164,852
1987: FEB	254	1,100,978	71	418,138	313	1,665,222	638	3,184,338	644	3,212,838
JAN	816	3,533,774	270	1,736,457	665	3,639,826	1,751	8,910,057	1,766	8,952,014
TOTAL 1986	16,616	68,759,352	6,339	35,882,883	11,062	55,804,940	34,017	160,447,175	34,565	162,356,205
1986: DEC	892	3,723,127	361	2,220,692	795	4,145,699	2,048	10,089,518	2,090	10,231,526
NOV	942	3,590,605	343	2,096,804	749	3,767,407	2,034	9,454,816	2,065	9,570,149
OCT	957	3,746,663	431	2,442,512	734	3,629,372	2,122	9,817,547	2,162	9,946,897
SEP	885	3,554,552	422	2,274,195	696	3,515,357	2,003	9,344,104	2,024	9,416,910
AUG	853	3,651,832	460	2,399,414	805	3,691,093	2,118	9,742,339	2,154	9,862,070
JUL	894	3,952,964	496	2,467,085	770	3,794,947	2,160	10,214,996	2,207	10,365,155
JUN	909	3,823,490	460	2,533,322	731	3,507,415	2,100	9,864,227	2,131	9,976,470
MAY	1,064	4,842,480	455	2,640,083	812	4,168,526	2,331	11,651,089	2,384	11,852,935
APR	1,613	7,240,968	599	3,653,072	956	4,791,734	3,168	15,685,774	3,224	15,894,624
MAR	2,217	9,390,719	681	4,052,364	1,228	6,058,216	4,126	19,501,299	4,177	19,657,749
FEB	2,242	9,551,320	666	3,949,542	1,114	6,163,228	4,022	19,664,090	4,083	19,898,545
JAN	3,148	11,690,632	965	5,153,798	1,672	8,572,946	5,785	25,417,376	5,864	25,683,175
TOTAL 1985	35,094	138,663,574	12,379	68,495,169	20,497	101,287,351	67,970	308,446,094	69,574	313,482,045
1985: DEC	2,725	11,003,435	880	4,971,230	1,752	8,996,525	5,357	24,971,190	5,440	25,277,752
NOV	2,512	9,989,663	862	4,944,081	1,503	7,438,245	4,877	22,371,989	4,949	22,643,700
OCT	2,915	11,502,844	1,176	6,025,967	1,721	8,310,761	5,812	25,839,572	5,904	26,164,210
SEP	2,762	10,503,395	1,054	5,493,625	1,675	8,159,806	5,491	24,156,826	5,581	24,408,793
AUG	3,258	12,324,882	1,094	5,895,210	1,872	8,838,180	6,224	27,058,272	6,318	27,325,080
JUL	3,038	11,208,585	1,070	5,859,852	1,784	8,343,162	5,892	25,411,599	6,049	25,854,998
JUN	2,899	11,150,383	1,005	5,393,004	1,629	7,655,051	5,533	24,198,438	5,678	24,654,189
MAY	2,820	11,555,324	898	5,036,488	1,635	8,146,551	5,353	24,738,363	5,549	25,336,398
APR	2,912	11,707,820	983	5,722,041	1,697	8,431,878	5,592	25,861,739	5,744	26,284,536
MAR	3,201	13,002,687	1,088	6,239,829	1,791	8,869,721	6,080	28,112,237	6,286	28,658,519
FEB	2,789	11,577,769	1,079	6,165,068	1,496	7,807,949	5,364	25,550,786	5,501	26,003,368
JAN	3,263	13,136,787	1,190	6,748,774	1,942	10,289,522	6,395	30,175,083	6,575	30,870,502
TOTAL 1984	43,566	165,889,398	14,646	80,505,399	24,905	117,878,353	83,117	364,273,150	85,312	370,007,580
TOTAL 1983	38,141	140,582,149	12,658	69,635,331	23,627	103,310,905	74,426	313,528,385	76,455	318,294,494

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF FEBRUARY 27, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	68	399,737	39	266,044	496	2,886,792	603	3,552,573
1987: FEB	16	112,544	3	20,339	145	783,683	164	916,566
JAN	52	287,193	36	245,705	351	2,103,109	439	2,636,007
TOTAL 1986	978	5,876,703	683	4,664,785	4,987	28,400,248	6,648	38,941,736
1986: DEC	58	394,777	35	242,269	425	2,357,541	518	2,994,587
NOV	47	272,346	43	292,842	371	1,979,986	461	2,545,174
OCT	47	287,698	38	281,279	331	1,822,958	416	2,391,935
SEP	38	159,941	54	275,368	298	1,643,224	390	2,078,533
AUG	53	282,170	52	333,993	344	1,806,052	449	2,422,215
JUL	76	428,679	58	333,375	334	1,772,514	468	2,534,568
JUN	55	300,978	47	299,723	295	1,680,314	397	2,281,015
MAY	78	439,874	44	372,005	388	2,270,941	510	3,082,820
APR	99	692,329	61	497,443	423	2,447,314	583	3,637,086
MAR	118	780,664	71	562,886	538	3,096,559	727	4,440,109
FEB	121	759,043	76	544,112	495	3,151,111	692	4,454,266
JAN	188	1,078,204	104	629,490	745	4,371,734	1,037	6,079,428
TOTAL 1985	1,776	10,262,225	1,250	8,386,268	8,990	49,453,942	12,016	68,102,435
1985: DEC	149	870,443	83	576,375	842	4,781,375	1,074	6,228,193
NOV	108	637,380	89	663,875	679	3,719,839	876	5,021,094
OCT	146	815,503	86	498,147	771	4,076,708	1,003	5,390,358
SEP	121	653,333	78	536,339	740	3,978,836	939	5,168,508
AUG	173	1,012,870	97	631,473	816	4,246,320	1,086	5,890,663
JUL	141	799,909	93	591,403	752	3,924,384	986	5,315,696
JUN	132	677,314	113	806,492	694	3,482,683	939	4,966,489
MAY	155	900,587	123	779,966	683	3,826,748	961	5,507,301
APR	129	713,574	113	772,762	717	4,063,097	959	5,549,433
MAR	183	1,100,015	109	697,354	738	4,162,174	1,030	5,959,543
FEB	164	1,026,618	121	845,608	686	4,056,365	971	5,928,591
JAN	175	1,054,679	145	986,474	872	5,135,413	1,192	7,176,566
TOTAL 1984	2,321	12,570,067	1,565	9,858,157	11,076	58,455,795	14,962	80,884,019
TOTAL 1983	2,139	10,642,757	1,619	10,116,645	10,065	48,352,102	13,823	69,111,504

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING FEBRUARY 1987

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	692	3,070,120	270	1,724,615	516	2,891,380	1,478	7,686,115	1,497	7,748,509
1987: FEB	254	1,100,978	71	418,138	313	1,665,222	638	3,184,338	644	3,212,838
JAN	438	1,969,142	199	1,306,477	203	1,226,158	840	4,501,777	853	4,535,671
TOTAL 1986	392	1,596,820	307	1,538,013	212	963,949	911	4,098,782	955	4,238,587
1986: DEC	171	775,449	122	686,732	83	434,097	376	1,896,278	386	1,923,116
NOV	75	283,658	60	266,328	31	92,922	166	642,908	175	684,846
OCT	31	105,510	35	177,037	32	153,526	98	436,073	104	448,547
SEP	27	80,403	21	80,776	12	37,485	60	198,664	64	212,186
AUG	19	65,704	25	102,879	13	69,297	57	237,880	63	255,900
JUL	18	84,822	19	83,468	7	21,922	44	190,212	50	207,985
JUN	12	47,313	7	41,025	7	22,743	26	111,081	28	116,021
MAY	10	35,348	6	16,893	9	36,285	25	88,526	25	88,526
APR	7	30,553	3	20,442	4	25,963	14	76,958	15	81,258
MAR	9	43,641	2	16,045	3	19,252	14	78,938	14	78,938
FEB	4	23,461	4	31,829	6	36,453	14	91,743	14	91,743
JAN	9	20,958	3	14,559	5	14,004	17	49,521	17	49,521
TOTAL 1985	46	139,300	17	74,582	29	111,925	92	325,807	95	337,129
1985: DEC	8	23,625	5	30,989	4	21,786	17	76,400	19	83,040
NOV	4	4,995	1	1,275	3	10,191	8	16,461	8	16,461
OCT	3	10,265	1	6,794	6	13,823	10	30,882	10	30,882
SEP	5	24,505	0	0	1	4,500	6	29,005	6	29,005
AUG	8	28,265	1	5,660	4	15,660	13	49,585	13	49,585
JUL	2	5,210	3	7,343	2	2,215	7	14,768	7	14,768
JUN	6	21,180	0	0	2	17,758	8	38,938	8	38,938
MAY	2	3,273	1	3,440	3	8,294	6	15,007	7	19,689
APR	1	3,733	2	6,682	1	8,318	4	18,733	4	18,733
MAR	4	6,995	1	3,662	2	5,100	7	15,757	7	15,757
FEB	2	6,079	1	4,237	0	0	3	10,316	3	10,316
JAN	1	1,175	1	4,500	1	4,280	3	9,955	3	9,955
TOTAL 1984	21	56,523	6	21,597	19	66,388	46	144,508	46	144,508
YRS PRIOR TO 1984	11	51,390	14	56,080	24	86,134	49	193,604	49	193,604
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,162	4,914,153	614	3,414,887	800	4,119,776	2,576	12,448,816	2,642	12,662,337

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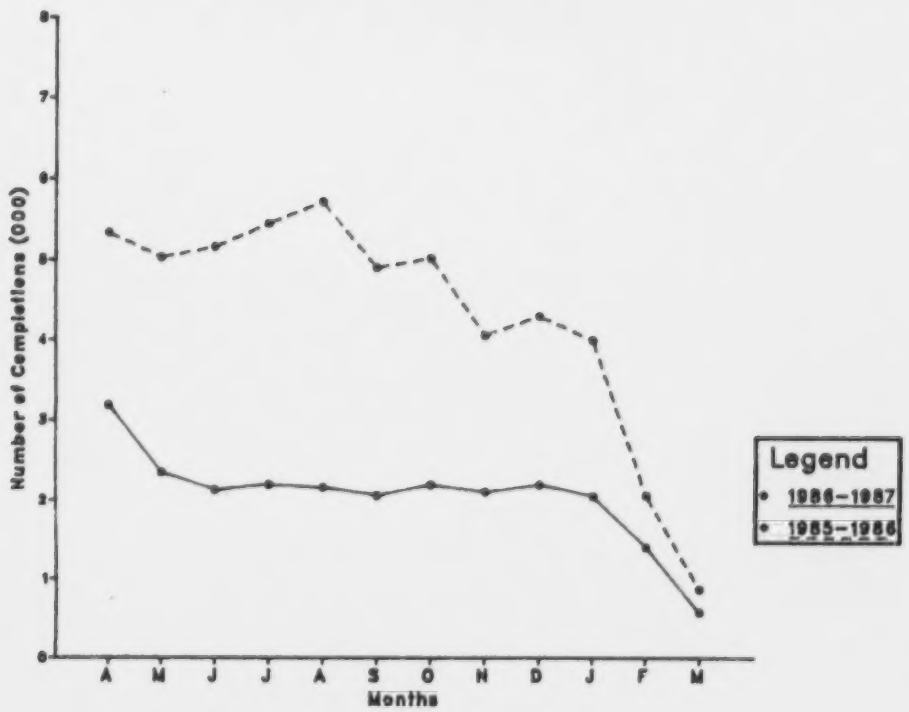

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF MARCH 27, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	1,846	8,230,053	611	3,933,450	1,556	8,432,183	4,013	20,595,686	4,075	20,803,337
1987: MAR	217	1,101,165	47	292,470	313	1,801,163	577	3,194,798	581	3,208,147
FEB	568	2,970,700	214	1,417,068	516	2,699,573	1,398	7,087,341	1,423	7,190,215
JAN	961	4,158,188	350	2,223,912	727	3,931,447	2,038	10,313,547	2,071	10,404,975
TOTAL 1986	16,802	69,340,811	6,502	36,738,557	11,188	56,441,206	34,492	162,520,574	35,073	164,517,481
1986: DEC	958	3,973,204	393	2,378,379	836	4,331,764	2,187	10,683,347	2,244	10,856,368
NOV	971	3,691,087	366	2,203,582	759	3,834,714	2,096	9,729,383	2,128	9,848,116
OCT	983	3,826,101	452	2,549,194	749	3,709,183	2,184	10,084,478	2,228	10,231,353
SEP	896	3,606,024	446	2,385,619	709	3,596,354	2,051	9,587,997	2,075	9,672,653
AUG	864	3,692,068	474	2,469,935	812	3,754,437	2,150	9,916,440	2,188	10,040,586
JUL	905	3,973,397	506	2,536,175	775	3,808,179	2,186	10,317,751	2,234	10,471,310
JUN	915	3,837,613	467	2,571,021	738	3,534,490	2,120	9,943,124	2,152	10,058,767
MAY	1,064	4,800,016	459	2,662,482	819	4,187,521	2,342	11,650,019	2,399	11,857,764
APR	1,617	7,244,013	603	3,680,390	959	4,802,155	3,179	15,726,558	3,236	15,937,108
MAR	2,222	9,397,234	687	4,096,362	1,236	6,119,819	4,145	19,613,415	4,196	19,769,865
FEB	2,254	9,586,470	676	4,005,480	1,120	6,178,930	4,050	19,770,880	4,112	20,010,610
JAN	3,153	11,713,584	973	5,199,938	1,676	8,583,660	5,802	25,497,182	5,881	25,762,981
TOTAL 1985	35,150	138,910,959	12,418	68,756,153	20,522	101,228,342	68,090	308,895,454	69,694	313,933,982
1985: DEC	2,726	11,017,918	888	5,011,434	1,753	8,988,064	5,367	25,017,416	5,450	25,323,978
NOV	2,515	9,997,430	865	4,959,259	1,508	7,454,776	4,888	22,411,465	4,960	22,683,176
OCT	2,925	11,526,856	1,179	6,053,187	1,723	8,314,536	5,827	25,894,579	5,918	26,217,117
SEP	2,773	10,533,269	1,057	5,514,331	1,678	8,160,904	5,508	24,208,504	5,598	24,460,471
AUG	3,261	12,338,406	1,097	5,915,095	1,875	8,830,181	6,233	27,083,682	6,327	27,350,490
JUL	3,042	11,232,787	1,074	5,890,568	1,785	8,337,645	5,901	25,461,000	6,058	25,904,399
JUN	2,904	11,187,861	1,009	5,415,909	1,629	7,634,288	5,542	24,238,058	5,687	24,693,809
MAY	2,824	11,562,616	901	5,049,885	1,638	8,159,901	5,363	24,772,402	5,559	25,370,437
APR	2,916	11,721,757	986	5,744,480	1,699	8,427,639	5,601	25,893,876	5,753	26,316,673
MAR	3,204	13,019,737	1,090	6,263,189	1,793	8,856,306	6,087	28,139,232	6,294	28,690,191
FEB	2,791	11,582,646	1,081	6,176,770	1,498	7,822,700	5,370	25,582,116	5,507	26,034,698
JAN	3,269	13,189,676	1,191	6,762,046	1,943	10,241,402	6,403	30,193,124	6,583	30,888,543
TOTAL 1984	43,585	165,947,933	14,651	80,529,997	24,922	117,898,725	83,158	364,376,655	85,352	370,109,885
TOTAL 1983	38,157	140,631,402	12,666	69,653,170	23,647	103,349,629	74,470	313,634,201	76,499	318,400,310

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TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF MARCH 27, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	108	696,087	72	498,409	805	4,579,839	985	5,774,335
1987: MAR	10	86,642	6	31,478	169	965,881	185	1,084,001
FEB	31	227,980	20	129,721	251	1,347,330	302	1,705,031
JAN	67	381,465	46	337,210	385	2,266,628	498	2,985,303
TOTAL 1986	989	5,904,643	695	4,751,837	5,049	28,746,483	6,733	39,402,963
1986: DEC	67	445,000	39	275,990	444	2,438,895	550	3,159,885
NOV	51	274,664	48	320,377	377	2,009,934	476	2,604,975
OCT	49	293,808	38	281,279	341	1,873,797	428	2,448,884
SEP	40	178,931	59	317,228	305	1,689,983	404	2,186,142
AUG	53	281,065	55	352,288	351	1,871,280	459	2,504,633
JUL	76	425,831	57	332,728	337	1,785,072	470	2,543,631
JUN	54	294,173	47	299,723	301	1,715,160	402	2,309,056
MAY	77	432,504	42	355,591	388	2,275,757	507	3,063,852
APR	98	676,233	60	490,348	425	2,456,759	583	3,623,340
MAR	116	768,884	68	537,967	543	3,128,624	727	4,435,475
FEB	119	745,643	76	544,112	497	3,154,693	692	4,444,448
JAN	189	1,087,907	106	644,206	740	4,346,529	1,035	6,078,642
TOTAL 1985	1,781	10,303,093	1,265	8,528,612	8,989	49,330,834	12,035	66,162,539
1985: DEC	149	870,443	87	601,217	842	4,773,084	1,078	6,244,744
NOV	109	640,290	89	663,875	683	3,733,300	881	5,037,465
OCT	147	818,867	87	520,387	772	4,069,620	1,006	5,408,874
SEP	122	655,313	78	536,339	740	3,978,836	940	5,170,488
AUG	172	1,012,349	98	642,969	817	4,236,366	1,087	5,891,684
JUL	141	799,909	95	605,360	750	3,910,427	986	5,315,696
JUN	133	688,467	115	821,819	693	3,460,635	941	4,970,921
MAY	155	900,587	124	786,712	683	3,837,427	962	5,524,726
APR	130	722,474	114	783,866	716	4,041,798	960	5,548,138
MAR	183	1,100,015	111	720,714	737	4,144,174	1,031	5,964,903
FEB	164	1,026,618	121	845,608	687	4,070,346	972	5,942,572
JAN	176	1,067,761	146	999,746	869	5,074,821	1,191	7,142,328
TOTAL 1984	2,324	12,583,135	1,569	9,886,155	11,079	58,452,035	14,972	80,921,325
TOTAL 1983	2,141	10,663,600	1,621	10,123,707	10,070	48,364,951	13,832	69,152,258

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING MARCH 1987

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	776	3,583,708	268	1,759,556	578	3,141,548	1,622	8,484,810	1,663	8,622,004
1987: MAR	217	1,101,165	47	292,470	313	1,801,163	577	3,194,798	581	3,208,147
FEB	415	1,875,616	143	998,916	204	1,042,003	762	3,916,535	781	3,990,909
JAN	144	606,925	78	468,170	61	298,382	283	1,373,477	301	1,422,948
TOTAL 1986	183	599,376	161	856,818	126	649,691	470	2,105,885	503	2,193,762
1986: DEC	65	241,739	36	186,952	41	190,869	142	619,560	157	650,573
NOV	28	105,524	23	106,778	11	69,267	62	281,569	63	284,969
OCT	24	62,928	20	98,519	16	86,391	60	247,838	64	265,363
SEP	11	55,908	20	99,843	13	81,108	44	236,859	47	248,709
AUG	9	35,116	15	78,585	9	69,602	33	183,303	35	187,718
JUL	11	21,813	9	67,370	5	10,387	25	99,570	26	102,970
JUN	7	13,207	7	31,999	6	22,282	20	67,488	21	70,888
MAY	2	1,010	4	22,399	7	21,782	13	45,191	17	51,090
APR	3	951	4	27,318	3	13,391	10	41,660	11	43,360
MAR	7	22,270	6	43,993	6	48,632	19	114,895	19	114,895
FEB	11	22,290	10	55,933	5	13,226	26	91,449	27	96,724
JAN	5	16,620	7	37,129	4	22,754	16	76,503	16	76,503
TOTAL 1985	46	169,785	25	131,092	39	110,683	110	411,560	111	416,237
1985: DEC	1	4,185	6	29,904	5	12,385	12	46,474	12	46,474
NOV	3	9,348	3	15,190	4	12,460	10	36,998	10	36,998
OCT	9	20,648	2	15,674	3	15,300	14	51,622	14	51,622
SEP	10	29,865	3	20,706	3	1,098	16	51,669	16	51,669
AUG	3	13,564	2	8,389	4	3,497	9	25,450	9	25,450
JUL	4	24,202	2	16,759	3	8,440	9	49,401	9	49,401
JUN	3	24,767	3	9,400	2	3,900	8	38,067	8	38,067
MAY	4	7,292	2	10,780	4	15,971	10	34,043	10	34,043
APR	4	13,937	1	820	4	17,380	9	32,137	9	32,137
MAR	3	17,050	0	0	4	8,565	7	25,615	8	30,292
FEB	2	4,927	1	3,470	0	0	3	8,397	3	8,397
JAN	0	0	0	0	3	11,687	3	11,687	3	11,687
TOTAL 1984	13	41,361	3	13,384	19	47,941	35	102,686	35	102,686
YRS PRIOR TO 1984	24	60,139	8	18,675	29	67,063	61	145,877	61	145,877
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,042	4,454,367	465	2,779,525	791	4,016,926	2,298	11,250,818	2,373	11,480,566

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TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of March 27, 1987. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.

2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.

3. Includes multiple completion wells which produce gas from all zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well. Gas wells also include so-called condensate wells.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II.)

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by the API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.

2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells.

5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period February 28, 1987 through March 27, 1987. The sub-totals shown for each yearly period may not add up to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.

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REPORT ON WELL COMPLETIONS IN THE UNITED STATES[1]

Wells actually completed in the current month may not be reported until several months later. The chart shown below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions for the current month and each of the eleven prior months, as now reported to the API. For comparison purposes, a corresponding curve describes the data, as then reported to the API, for the same twelve-month period a year ago.

These data are preliminary and subject to revision. The number of wells shown in the chart excludes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. The geographic distribution for wells and footage is not published on a monthly basis, but is available from the API's "Quarterly Completion Report."

Cumulative Number of Wells Reported as Completed
For Each of the Past 12 Months

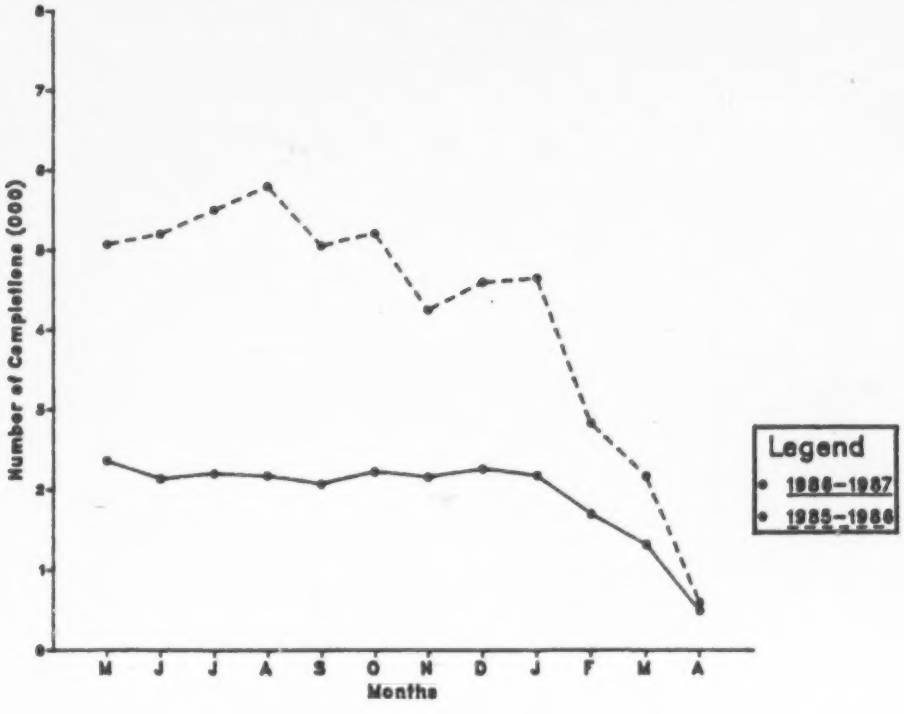

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF APRIL 24, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	2,646	11,714,284	943	5,935,210	2,099	11,146,709	5,688	28,796,203	5,767	29,062,861
1987: APR	181	811,524	44	232,884	272	1,380,847	497	2,425,255	498	2,427,761
MAR	609	2,848,639	201	1,269,027	508	2,828,740	1,318	6,946,406	1,335	7,003,872
FEB	836	3,672,019	299	1,937,975	563	2,896,557	1,698	8,506,551	1,725	8,618,025
JAN	1,020	4,382,102	399	2,495,324	756	4,040,565	2,175	10,917,991	2,209	11,013,203
TOTAL 1986	16,950	69,819,191	6,611	37,193,593	11,269	56,689,014	34,830	163,701,798	35,416	165,710,354
1986: DEC	986	4,111,151	421	2,500,097	852	4,380,265	2,259	10,991,513	2,316	11,164,534
NOV	999	3,791,181	387	2,279,378	775	3,886,603	2,161	9,957,162	2,193	10,075,895
OCT	999	3,841,887	469	2,642,858	759	3,759,522	2,227	10,244,267	2,273	10,397,964
SEP	908	3,644,589	454	2,418,253	714	3,611,619	2,076	9,674,461	2,100	9,759,117
AUG	868	3,701,586	485	2,524,444	822	3,772,344	2,175	9,998,374	2,213	10,122,520
JUL	911	4,003,005	510	2,553,475	780	3,829,396	2,201	10,385,876	2,250	10,542,835
JUN	922	3,865,936	472	2,583,542	745	3,546,869	2,139	9,996,347	2,171	10,111,990
MAY	1,074	4,829,440	462	2,670,384	824	4,224,393	2,360	11,724,217	2,417	11,931,962
APR	1,631	7,270,825	606	3,699,838	961	4,793,437	3,198	15,764,100	3,255	15,974,650
MAR	2,228	9,414,275	690	4,102,288	1,235	6,122,413	4,153	19,638,976	4,204	19,795,426
FEB	2,260	9,596,267	677	4,008,096	1,126	6,180,334	4,063	19,784,697	4,125	20,024,427
JAN	3,164	11,749,049	978	5,210,940	1,676	8,581,819	5,818	25,541,808	5,899	25,809,034
TOTAL 1985	35,239	139,093,200	12,436	68,869,764	20,557	101,289,729	68,232	309,252,693	69,845	314,305,259
1985: DEC	2,734	11,054,179	890	5,031,241	1,754	8,980,819	5,378	25,066,239	5,463	25,374,289
NOV	2,522	10,016,082	867	4,979,489	1,509	7,449,518	4,898	22,445,089	4,971	22,717,733
OCT	2,931	11,542,564	1,183	6,063,379	1,725	8,323,191	5,839	25,929,134	5,931	26,252,648
SEP	2,780	10,562,592	1,059	5,522,661	1,681	8,173,989	5,520	24,259,242	5,611	24,512,179
AUG	3,264	12,341,944	1,099	5,939,808	1,881	8,824,186	6,244	27,105,938	6,340	27,376,327
JUL	3,047	11,242,538	1,075	5,890,787	1,787	8,340,318	5,909	25,473,643	6,066	25,917,042
JUN	2,930	11,197,293	1,010	5,423,089	1,632	7,637,796	5,572	24,258,178	5,717	24,713,929
MAY	2,829	11,582,380	902	5,054,501	1,641	8,155,262	5,372	24,792,143	5,568	25,390,178
APR	2,925	11,730,523	986	5,744,480	1,701	8,432,439	5,612	25,907,442	5,764	26,330,239
MAR	3,209	13,023,574	1,090	6,263,189	1,796	8,859,897	6,095	28,146,660	6,303	28,700,819
FEB	2,797	11,605,055	1,082	6,178,610	1,501	7,830,763	5,380	25,614,428	5,517	26,067,010
JAN	3,271	13,194,476	1,193	6,778,5[illegible]0	1,949	10,281,551	6,413	30,254,557	6,594	30,952,866
TOTAL 1984	43,607	165,995,282	14,659	80,566,342	24,936	117,959,930	83,202	364,521,554	85,403	370,266,416
TOTAL 1983	38,168	140,662,021	12,682	69,727,572	23,635	103,277,903	74,485	313,667,496	76,514	318,433,605

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TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF APRIL 24, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	160	1,020,529	126	882,224	1,051	5,846,566	1,337	7,749,319
1987: APR	12	75,048	4	24,835	123	641,914	139	741,797
MAR	33	256,359	28	172,949	260	1,456,046	321	1,885,354
FEB	41	272,887	35	241,858	273	1,442,208	349	1,956,953
JAN	74	416,235	59	442,582	395	2,306,398	528	3,165,215
TOTAL 1986	990	5,915,145	705	4,811,121	5,081	28,816,070	6,776	39,542,336
1986: DEC	70	455,074	43	305,867	452	2,477,816	565	3,238,757
NOV	50	270,987	49	322,731	384	2,033,975	483	2,627,693
OCT	48	290,153	40	292,792	345	1,888,971	433	2,471,916
SEP	41	186,319	60	331,147	308	1,696,462	409	2,213,928
AUG	52	277,689	55	343,297	355	1,885,888	462	2,506,874
JUL	76	425,934	57	330,288	341	1,804,382	474	2,560,604
JUN	54	294,173	47	299,723	305	1,719,144	406	2,313,040
MAY	78	442,854	40	346,095	391	2,300,411	509	3,089,360
APR	99	677,399	63	509,788	427	2,450,877	589	3,638,064
MAR	114	762,583	68	537,967	541	3,125,634	723	4,426,184
FEB	118	740,639	75	540,422	497	3,144,723	690	4,425,784
JAN	190	1,091,341	108	651,004	735	4,287,787	1,033	6,030,132
TOTAL 1985	1,783	10,317,414	1,270	8,597,978	8,997	49,304,992	12,050	68,220,384
1985: DEC	150	874,033	88	613,724	843	4,749,862	1,081	6,237,619
NOV	110	641,398	90	682,375	682	3,715,557	882	5,039,330
OCT	147	818,867	87	520,387	774	4,077,210	1,008	5,416,464
SEP	122	655,313	78	536,339	741	3,979,971	941	5,171,623
AUG	172	1,012,349	99	664,614	817	4,218,891	1,088	5,895,854
JUL	141	799,909	95	605,360	751	3,912,127	987	5,317,396
JUN	132	686,800	116	828,999	692	3,453,455	940	4,969,254
MAY	156	911,877	124	786,712	682	3,826,137	962	5,524,726
APR	130	722,474	114	783,866	716	4,041,798	960	5,548,138
MAR	183	1,100,015	111	720,714	738	4,145,674	1,032	5,966,403
FEB	164	1,026,618	121	845,608	688	4,077,064	973	5,949,290
JAN	176	1,067,761	147	1,009,280	873	5,107,246	1,196	7,184,287
TOTAL 1984	2,324	12,587,130	1,568	9,884,455	11,085	58,489,296	14,977	80,960,881
TOTAL 1983	2,141	10,663,600	1,622	10,130,525	10,068	48,350,689	13,831	69,144,814

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING APRIL 1987

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	799	3,498,072	331	1,994,097	542	2,708,664	1,672	8,200,833	1,689	8,259,840
1987: APR	181	811,524	44	232,884	272	1,380,847	497	2,425,255	498	2,427,761
MAR	390	1,741,140	155	983,987	194	1,012,702	739	3,737,829	752	3,781,946
FEB	168	707,984	84	513,475	48	207,076	300	1,428,535	302	1,437,135
JAN	60	237,424	48	263,751	28	108,039	136	609,214	137	612,998
TOTAL 1986	139	446,581	106	443,704	93	317,561	338	1,207,846	343	1,219,495
1986: DEC	30	152,619	28	130,627	17	55,443	75	338,689	75	338,689
NOV	24	63,082	21	75,792	16	56,464	61	195,338	61	195,338
OCT	17	32,324	16	80,427	9	47,240	42	159,991	44	166,813
SEP	9	22,821	8	41,587	6	19,426	23	83,834	23	83,834
AUG	4	10,498	10	52,997	12	22,243	26	85,738	26	85,738
JUL	5	28,490	5	18,650	5	21,215	15	68,355	16	71,755
JUN	7	28,323	5	12,521	7	12,372	19	53,216	19	53,216
MAY	10	29,424	2	6,552	7	44,642	19	80,618	19	80,618
APR	12	20,047	2	5,014	4	17,897	18	42,958	18	42,958
MAR	5	15,077	3	5,923	1	6,037	9	27,037	9	27,037
FEB	5	11,275	1	2,612	7	13,034	13	26,921	13	26,921
JAN	11	32,601	5	11,002	2	1,548	18	45,151	20	46,578
TOTAL 1985	85	156,356	10	26,219	36	108,334	131	290,909	139	301,747
1985: DEC	9	31,631	0	0	2	635	11	32,266	13	33,754
NOV	6	15,592	1	1,730	2	8,900	9	26,222	10	27,155
OCT	6	15,708	3	6,416	2	8,340	11	30,464	12	31,440
SEP	6	23,511	2	8,330	3	13,085	11	44,926	12	45,896
AUG	4	5,271	1	3,068	5	8,570	10	16,909	12	20,490
JUL	4	8,495	1	219	2	2,673	7	11,387	7	11,387
JUN	26	9,432	0	0	4	10,688	30	20,120	30	20,120
MAY	3	7,689	1	4,616	4	6,651	8	18,956	8	18,956
APR	8	7,981	0	0	2	4,800	10	12,781	10	12,781
MAR	5	3,837	0	0	2	1,672	7	5,509	7	5,509
FEB	6	22,409	1	1,840	3	8,063	10	32,312	10	32,312
JAN	2	4,800	0	0	5	34,257	7	39,057	8	41,947
TOTAL 1984	25	55,608	7	41,780	13	37,747	45	135,135	52	146,767
YRS PRIOR TO 1984	11	21,647	5	24,689	20	63,511	36	109,847	36	109,847
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,059	4,178,264	459	2,530,489	704	3,235,817	2,222	9,944,570	2,259	10,037,696

See footnotes on page 5.

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3. See footnote (3) above.

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REPORT ON WELL COMPLETIONS IN THE UNITED STATES[1]

Wells actually completed in the current month may not be reported until several months later. The chart shown below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions for the current month and each of the eleven prior months, as now reported to the API. For comparison purposes, a corresponding curve describes the data, as then reported to the API, for the same twelve-month period a year ago.

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Cumulative Number of Wells Reported as Completed For Each of the Past 12 Months

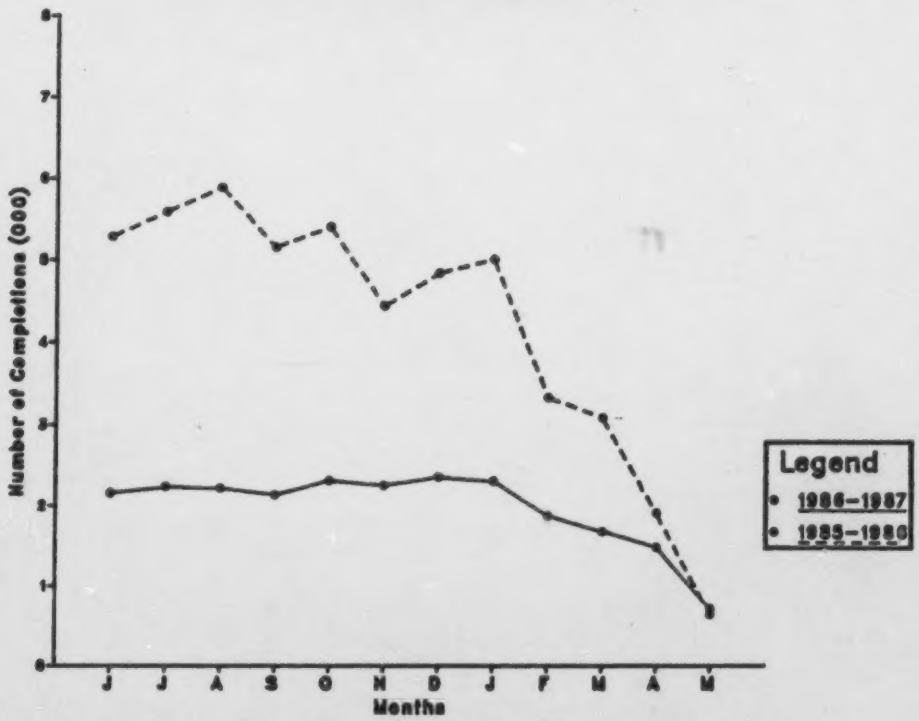

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF MAY 29, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	3,716	16,378,342	1,381	8,574,454	2,926	15,247,744	8,023	40,200,540	8,120	40,520,540
1987: MAY	294	1,222,128	59	352,236	360	1,922,273	713	3,496,637	716	3,510,365
APR	669	3,000,639	217	1,432,943	589	2,934,784	1,475	7,368,366	1,483	7,389,457
MAR	758	3,504,507	324	1,933,174	588	3,184,087	1,670	8,621,768	1,693	8,697,648
FEB	910	4,009,889	356	2,235,452	600	2,999,673	1,866	9,245,014	1,895	9,359,103
JAN	1,085	4,641,179	425	2,620,649	789	4,206,927	2,299	11,468,755	2,333	11,563,967
TOTAL 1986	17,100	70,447,039	6,823	38,103,500	11,408	57,203,444	35,331	165,753,983	35,938	167,842,548
1986: DEC	1,016	4,264,876	462	2,727,506	873	4,480,260	2,351	11,472,642	2,408	11,645,663
NOV	1,021	3,893,351	428	2,506,737	799	3,972,270	2,248	10,372,358	2,280	10,491,091
OCT	1,021	3,912,069	511	2,797,226	777	3,829,347	2,309	10,538,642	2,355	10,692,339
SEP	926	3,689,214	483	2,534,898	724	3,643,022	2,133	9,867,134	2,157	9,951,790
AUG	878	3,730,132	499	2,557,466	837	3,805,271	2,214	10,092,869	2,254	10,217,504
JUL	916	4,024,926	524	2,612,248	792	3,873,598	2,232	10,510,772	2,281	10,667,731
JUN	928	3,916,169	478	2,599,277	749	3,565,161	2,155	10,080,607	2,187	10,196,250
MAY	1,083	4,888,874	468	2,681,853	834	4,275,402	2,385	11,846,129	2,456	12,124,211
APR	1,635	7,297,529	612	3,722,061	965	4,809,058	3,212	15,828,648	3,270	16,040,448
MAR	2,234	9,437,066	691	4,104,939	1,242	6,160,862	4,167	19,702,867	4,219	19,862,744
FEB	2,265	9,614,330	680	4,016,208	1,130	6,191,355	4,075	19,821,893	4,138	20,063,398
JAN	3,177	11,778,503	987	5,243,081	1,686	8,597,838	5,850	25,619,422	5,933	25,889,379
TOTAL 1985	35,313	139,257,877	12,462	68,980,244	20,600	101,426,485	68,375	309,664,606	70,013	314,769,743
1985: DEC	2,748	11,116,679	897	5,074,087	1,760	9,008,263	5,405	25,199,029	5,497	25,526,303
NOV	2,527	10,027,887	868	4,982,289	1,510	7,452,057	4,905	22,462,233	4,980	22,744,481
OCT	2,939	11,556,907	1,185	6,070,399	1,728	8,333,848	5,852	25,961,154	5,948	26,285,348
SEP	2,783	10,565,720	1,062	5,533,866	1,683	8,177,380	5,528	24,276,966	5,626	24,537,556
AUG	3,266	12,355,215	1,099	5,931,258	1,886	8,830,221	6,251	27,116,694	6,348	27,392,838
JUL	3,057	11,245,202	1,078	5,896,717	1,790	8,336,660	5,925	25,478,579	6,085	25,930,209
JUN	2,934	11,208,416	1,012	5,423,997	1,637	7,648,060	5,583	24,280,473	5,728	24,736,224
MAY	2,836	11,594,315	904	5,069,508	1,642	8,156,520	5,382	24,820,343	5,578	25,418,348
APR	2,933	11,735,977	990	5,770,350	1,709	8,453,260	5,632	25,959,587	5,785	26,383,808
MAR	3,211	13,031,859	1,090	6,263,189	1,800	8,883,083	6,101	28,178,131	6,309	28,732,290
FEB	2,801	11,611,688	1,083	6,185,560	1,505	7,861,535	5,389	25,658,783	5,526	26,111,365
JAN	3,278	13,208,012	1,194	6,779,024	1,950	10,285,598	6,422	30,272,634	6,603	30,970,943
TOTAL 1984	43,651	166,223,016	14,666	80,591,377	24,955	118,016,628	83,272	364,831,021	85,476	370,588,128
TOTAL 1983	38,179	140,685,775	12,697	69,799,110	23,636	103,270,381	74,512	313,755,266	76,541	318,521,375

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF MAY 29, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	224	1,410,496	175	1,186,064	1,442	7,870,030	1,841	10,466,590
1987: MAY	12	66,481	5	35,312	177	938,367	194	1,040,160
APR	39	251,235	23	121,576	275	1,410,450	337	1,783,261
MAR	44	316,191	40	256,902	298	1,663,561	382	2,236,654
FEB	49	312,933	44	310,387	283	1,472,983	376	2,096,303
JAN	80	463,656	63	461,887	409	2,384,669	552	3,310,212
TOTAL 1986	946	5,758,574	698	4,804,005	5,093	28,846,892	6,737	39,409,471
1986: DEC	71	464,576	43	305,867	451	2,488,988	565	3,259,431
NOV	54	302,040	52	348,462	396	2,080,225	502	2,730,727
OCT	46	281,243	40	292,792	356	1,933,639	442	2,507,674
SEP	40	184,975	58	332,552	306	1,698,007	404	2,215,534
AUG	47	252,794	57	344,527	364	1,909,669	468	2,506,990
JUL	71	398,225	56	329,930	347	1,826,881	474	2,555,036
JUN	52	296,397	46	294,603	304	1,707,129	402	2,298,129
MAY	72	420,331	39	339,255	394	2,305,842	505	3,065,428
APR	92	648,701	63	516,288	427	2,448,013	582	3,613,002
MAR	111	751,183	64	528,666	536	3,097,788	711	4,377,637
FEB	112	717,793	74	534,784	486	3,110,427	672	4,363,004
JAN	178	1,040,316	106	636,279	726	4,240,284	1,010	5,916,879
TOTAL 1985	1,763	10,246,959	1,267	8,587,051	9,004	49,295,840	12,034	68,129,850
1985: DEC	146	862,482	86	600,865	832	4,700,469	1,064	6,163,816
NOV	106	622,119	89	676,036	680	3,708,464	875	5,006,619
OCT	145	808,572	86	519,008	776	4,073,263	1,007	5,400,843
SEP	121	650,701	78	536,339	741	3,979,450	940	5,166,490
AUG	172	1,012,349	99	664,614	818	4,216,759	1,089	5,893,722
JUL	141	799,909	95	605,360	756	3,918,106	992	5,323,375
JUN	126	669,272	116	828,999	693	3,451,741	935	4,950,012
MAY	155	910,417	124	786,712	682	3,826,137	961	5,523,266
APR	130	722,474	115	793,516	721	4,044,462	966	5,560,452
MAR	182	1,099,125	111	720,714	740	4,159,560	1,033	5,979,399
FEB	164	1,026,618	121	845,608	692	4,107,836	977	5,980,062
JAN	175	1,062,921	147	1,009,280	873	5,109,593	1,195	7,181,794
TOTAL 1984	2,321	12,580,302	1,568	9,884,455	11,095	58,507,985	14,984	80,972,742
TOTAL 1983	2,141	10,663,600	1,622	10,130,525	10,079	48,402,294	13,842	69,196,419

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING MAY 1987

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	1,066	4,641,579	441	2,662,756	828	4,109,156	2,335	11,413,491	2,352	11,462,728
1987: MAY	294	1,222,128	59	352,236	360	1,922,273	713	3,496,637	716	3,510,365
APR	488	2,198,241	173	1,200,059	317	1,545,597	978	4,943,897	985	4,962,482
MAR	147	639,365	123	670,247	82	375,635	352	1,685,247	357	1,699,556
FEB	73	325,101	58	300,350	34	97,164	165	722,615	167	725,230
JAN	64	256,744	28	139,864	35	168,487	127	565,095	127	565,095
TOTAL 1986	146	602,847	210	910,235	139	488,729	495	2,001,811	517	2,086,430
1986: DEC	29	152,257	44	247,264	21	95,080	94	494,601	94	494,601
NOV	20	88,248	39	203,783	23	67,984	82	360,015	82	360,015
OCT	22	70,182	42	154,468	17	57,208	81	281,858	81	281,958
SEP	18	44,623	30	125,116	10	32,200	58	201,939	58	201,939
AUG	10	28,551	16	47,222	15	32,927	41	108,700	43	109,189
JUL	7	27,997	13	57,949	10	30,230	30	116,176	30	116,176
JUN	6	41,976	5	14,280	5	28,862	16	85,118	16	85,118
MAY	9	59,434	6	11,469	9	46,370	24	117,273	39	192,220
APR	4	31,899	6	22,222	5	18,727	15	72,848	16	74,098
MAR	4	15,581	1	2,650	8	44,049	13	62,280	14	65,707
FEB	5	15,265	2	2,279	5	18,280	12	35,824	13	37,599
JAN	12	26,834	6	21,533	11	16,812	29	65,179	31	67,910
TOTAL 1985	67	125,191	22	86,508	36	91,339	125	303,038	148	348,778
1985: DEC	10	28,643	6	31,946	6	26,045	22	86,634	29	105,858
NOV	3	1,265	1	2,800	0	0	4	4,065	6	13,669
OCT	8	14,343	2	7,020	2	3,997	12	25,360	16	26,040
SEP	3	3,128	3	11,205	2	3,391	8	17,724	15	25,377
AUG	2	13,271	0	0	6	9,366	8	22,637	9	28,392
JUL	10	7,675	2	908	4	4,749	16	13,332	17	14,732
JUN	4	11,123	2	908	3	7,666	9	19,697	9	19,697
MAY	7	11,935	2	15,007	1	1,258	10	28,200	10	28,200
APR	7	5,354	3	16,220	7	4,660	17	26,234	18	27,658
MAR	2	8,285	0	0	3	21,186	5	29,471	5	29,471
FEB	4	6,633	0	0	2	9,021	6	15,654	6	15,654
JAN	7	13,536	1	494	0	0	8	14,030	8	14,030
TOTAL 1984	28	123,444	6	19,861	21	58,887	55	202,192	57	205,357
YRS PRIOR TO 1984	12	41,859	4	27,890	26	74,979	42	144,728	42	144,728
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,319	5,534,920	683	3,707,250	1,050	4,823,090	3,052	14,065,260	3,116	14,248,021

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Cumulative Number of Wells Reported as Completed
For Each of the Past 12 Months

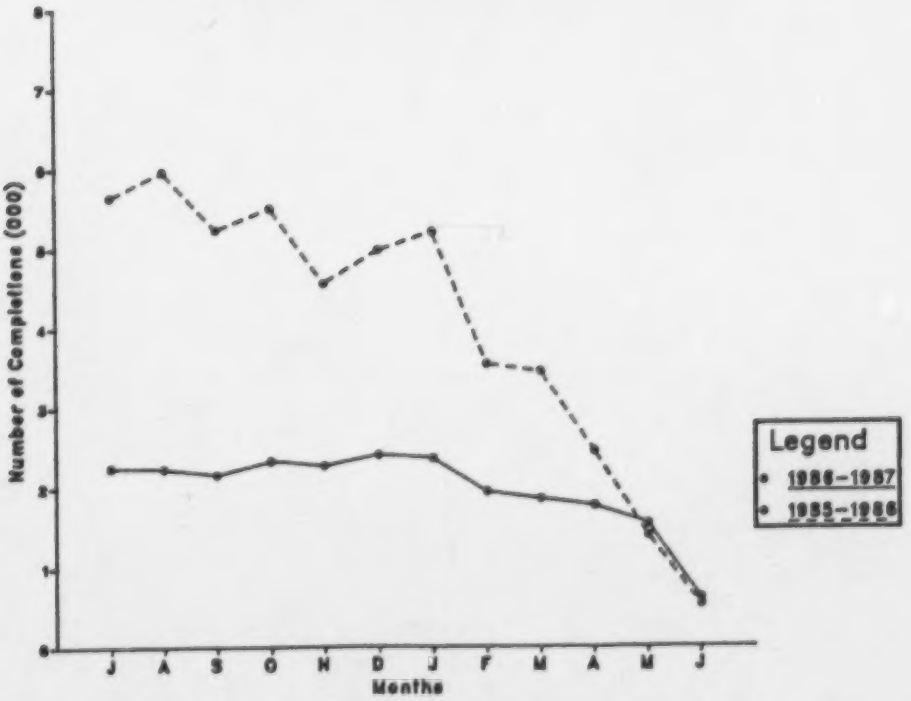

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF JUNE 26, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	4,694	20,633,204	1,762	10,810,165	3,623	18,706,042	10,079	50,149,411	10,219	50,683,582
1987: JUN	209	824,045	34	203,421	360	1,781,385	603	2,808,851	613	2,859,393
MAY	771	3,358,938	203	1,302,632	566	3,060,758	1,540	7,722,328	1,565	7,847,793
APR	804	3,625,184	312	1,996,462	652	3,203,114	1,768	8,824,760	1,782	8,881,615
MAR	855	3,916,164	374	2,213,338	626	3,308,774	1,855	9,438,276	1,880	9,525,876
FEB	943	4,164,469	384	2,352,544	620	3,081,031	1,947	9,598,044	1,978	9,715,717
JAN	1,112	4,744,404	455	2,741,768	799	4,270,980	2,366	11,757,152	2,401	11,853,188
TOTAL 1986	17,201	70,807,349	6,889	38,296,675	11,506	57,497,504	35,596	166,601,528	36,209	168,711,110
1986: DEC	1,032	4,349,788	488	2,833,977	889	4,577,217	2,409	11,760,982	2,468	11,941,248
NOV	1,033	3,942,171	435	2,523,120	806	4,010,517	2,274	10,475,808	2,306	10,594,541
OCT	1,031	3,950,655	519	2,818,125	780	3,835,301	2,330	10,604,081	2,377	10,762,308
SEP	937	3,706,090	487	2,538,581	733	3,688,260	2,157	9,932,931	2,182	10,017,822
AUG	884	3,752,791	509	2,587,170	841	3,808,747	2,234	10,148,708	2,274	10,273,343
JUL	921	4,050,743	526	2,614,317	801	3,886,419	2,248	10,551,479	2,297	10,708,438
JUN	936	3,947,934	478	2,599,277	753	3,573,837	2,167	10,121,048	2,199	10,236,691
MAY	1,092	4,918,468	471	2,687,663	839	4,295,038	2,402	11,901,169	2,474	12,184,258
APR	1,637	7,290,772	618	3,733,330	979	4,817,615	3,234	15,841,717	3,292	16,053,517
MAR	2,239	9,454,283	692	4,106,869	1,250	6,179,493	4,181	19,740,645	4,233	19,900,522
FEB	2,271	9,636,816	679	4,011,165	1,142	6,212,127	4,092	19,860,108	4,155	20,101,613
JAN	3,188	11,806,838	987	5,243,081	1,693	8,612,933	5,868	25,662,852	5,952	25,936,809
TOTAL 1985	35,383	139,641,862	12,480	69,063,337	20,680	101,602,978	68,543	310,308,177	70,195	315,443,410
1985: DEC	2,750	11,120,898	897	5,074,087	1,774	9,033,445	5,421	25,228,430	5,522	25,565,824
NOV	2,531	10,053,853	869	4,989,014	1,516	7,462,293	4,916	22,505,160	4,992	22,788,349
OCT	2,943	11,567,998	1,186	6,074,099	1,733	8,340,495	5,862	25,982,592	5,959	26,308,421
SEP	2,787	10,573,110	1,064	5,549,547	1,686	8,179,445	5,537	24,302,102	5,635	24,562,692
AUG	3,268	12,359,379	1,103	5,940,013	1,891	8,848,581	6,262	27,147,973	6,361	27,435,717
JUL	3,061	11,247,639	1,082	5,904,701	1,800	8,350,586	5,943	25,502,926	6,103	25,954,556
JUN	2,935	11,216,991	1,013	5,433,233	1,642	7,651,325	5,590	24,301,549	5,736	24,763,100
MAY	2,837	11,595,192	904	5,069,508	1,646	8,166,566	5,387	24,831,266	5,583	25,429,301
APR	2,946	11,834,396	991	5,779,415	1,721	8,501,090	5,658	26,114,901	5,811	26,539,122
MAR	3,231	13,153,471	1,092	6,272,947	1,809	8,901,900	6,132	28,328,318	6,340	28,882,477
FEB	2,809	11,675,415	1,084	6,197,374	1,508	7,873,365	5,401	25,746,154	5,538	26,198,736
JAN	3,285	13,243,520	1,195	6,779,399	1,954	10,293,887	6,434	30,316,806	6,615	31,015,115
TOTAL 1984	43,668	166,254,675	14,686	80,668,930	24,991	118,092,211	83,345	365,015,816	85,551	370,775,591
TOTAL 1983	38,194	140,711,368	12,699	69,805,684	23,692	103,402,366	74,585	313,919,418	76,617	318,690,898

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TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF JUNE 26, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	285	1,829,964	222	1,459,689	1,784	9,753,251	2,291	13,042,904
1987: JUN	10	65,753	2	2,951	182	984,788	194	1,053,492
MAY	40	274,686	28	183,438	280	1,547,331	348	2,005,455
APR	49	315,987	33	180,524	303	1,559,581	385	2,056,092
MAR	52	366,438	48	290,104	317	1,739,819	417	2,396,361
FEB	51	327,043	46	321,094	292	1,498,785	389	2,146,922
JAN	83	480,057	65	481,578	410	2,422,947	558	3,384,582
TOTAL 1986	949	5,777,106	704	4,836,738	5,137	28,971,297	6,790	39,585,141
1986: DEC	72	474,008	45	325,036	458	2,537,030	575	3,336,074
NOV	55	306,440	52	348,462	400	2,092,419	507	2,747,321
OCT	46	281,243	42	303,246	356	1,933,639	444	2,518,128
SEP	40	184,975	59	333,001	312	1,723,710	411	2,241,686
AUG	47	252,794	58	350,927	367	1,912,095	472	2,515,816
JUL	71	398,225	57	331,234	349	1,827,637	477	2,557,096
JUN	53	301,097	46	294,603	307	1,709,036	406	2,304,736
MAY	72	420,331	39	339,255	397	2,307,831	508	3,067,417
APR	92	648,701	63	516,288	433	2,451,675	588	3,616,664
MAR	111	751,183	64	528,666	540	3,110,259	715	4,390,108
FEB	112	717,793	73	529,741	490	3,116,871	675	4,364,405
JAN	178	1,040,316	106	636,279	728	4,249,095	1,012	5,925,690
TOTAL 1985	1,705	10,025,556	1,264	8,574,071	8,925	48,912,077	11,894	67,511,704
1985: DEC	145	858,892	86	600,865	837	4,707,092	1,068	6,166,849
NOV	105	618,639	89	676,036	677	3,695,632	871	4,990,307
OCT	142	797,510	86	519,008	768	4,040,627	996	5,357,145
SEP	113	622,860	78	536,339	729	3,929,212	920	5,088,411
AUG	165	985,120	99	664,614	803	4,156,488	1,067	5,806,222
JUL	130	754,334	95	605,360	751	3,879,789	976	5,239,483
JUN	125	665,297	116	828,999	689	3,430,782	930	4,925,078
MAY	152	898,719	123	782,022	676	3,796,669	951	5,477,410
APR	125	703,572	115	793,516	713	4,012,589	953	5,509,677
MAR	174	1,066,506	111	720,714	732	4,118,683	1,017	5,905,903
FEB	161	1,016,343	120	842,658	686	4,079,789	967	5,938,790
JAN	168	1,037,764	146	1,003,940	864	5,064,725	1,178	7,106,429
TOTAL 1984	2,307	12,525,855	1,570	9,907,400	11,069	58,352,685	14,946	80,785,940
TOTAL 1983	2,142	10,671,245	1,623	10,130,975	10,100	48,446,384	13,865	69,248,604

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING JUNE 1987

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	971	4,203,352	378	2,253,913	697	3,457,422	2,046	9,914,687	2,089	10,128,899
1987: JUN	209	824,045	34	203,421	360	1,781,385	603	2,808,851	613	2,859,393
MAY	477	2,141,928	144	950,335	205	1,131,558	826	4,223,821	848	4,335,558
APR	131	611,055	92	556,330	65	279,656	288	1,447,041	294	1,482,846
MAR	97	404,130	50	286,223	35	123,997	182	814,350	184	826,070
FEB	31	122,074	29	141,812	22	90,127	82	354,013	84	357,597
JAN	26	100,120	29	115,792	10	50,699	65	266,611	66	267,435
TOTAL 1986	101	375,513	64	192,288	97	291,410	262	859,211	268	880,228
1986: DEC	19	90,543	24	104,461	14	87,333	57	282,337	59	289,582
NOV	12	48,856	7	16,383	7	40,359	26	105,598	26	105,598
OCT	9	25,376	8	20,899	4	11,794	21	58,069	22	62,599
SEP	11	26,493	4	3,683	8	39,151	23	69,327	24	69,562
AUG	6	22,659	10	29,704	4	3,476	20	55,839	20	55,839
JUL	5	25,817	2	2,069	8	11,286	15	39,172	15	39,172
JUN	7	27,655	0	0	5	10,126	12	37,781	12	37,781
MAY	9	29,763	3	5,810	5	20,043	17	55,616	18	60,623
APR	4	22,250	5	7,349	15	12,477	24	42,076	24	42,076
MAR	5	17,217	1	1,930	8	18,631	14	37,778	14	37,778
FEB	4	13,496	0	0	11	15,729	15	29,225	15	29,225
JAN	10	25,388	0	0	8	21,005	18	46,393	19	50,393
TOTAL 1985	54	236,974	17	77,414	72	130,249	143	444,637	157	474,733
1985: DEC	2	4,219	0	0	14	25,182	16	29,401	25	39,521
NOV	2	5,946	1	6,725	5	4,326	8	16,997	9	17,938
OCT	4	11,091	1	3,700	4	6,645	9	21,436	10	23,071
SEP	4	7,390	2	15,681	2	1,465	8	24,536	8	24,536
AUG	2	4,164	4	8,755	5	18,360	11	31,279	13	42,879
JUL	4	2,437	4	7,984	9	7,013	17	17,434	17	17,434
JUN	1	8,575	1	9,236	5	3,265	7	21,076	8	26,876
MAY	1	877	0	0	4	10,046	5	10,923	5	10,923
APR	9	56,132	1	9,065	10	27,371	20	92,568	20	92,568
MAR	14	67,548	1	4,079	7	6,457	22	78,084	22	78,084
FEB	6	47,570	1	11,814	3	11,830	10	71,214	10	71,214
JAN	5	21,025	1	375	4	8,289	10	29,689	10	29,689
TOTAL 1984	15	28,324	19	76,409	38	68,041	72	172,774	74	175,442
YRS PRIOR TO 1984	21	34,543	15	58,525	64	113,947	100	207,015	103	213,295
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,162	4,878,706	493	2,658,549	968	4,061,069	2,623	11,598,324	2,691	11,872,597

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TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of June 26, 1987. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.

2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.

3. Includes multiple completion wells which produce gas from all zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well. Gas wells also include so-called condensate wells.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II.)

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by the API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.

2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells.

5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period May 30, 1987 through June 26, 1987. The sub-totals shown for each yearly period may not add up to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.

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REPORT ON WELL COMPLETIONS IN THE UNITED STATES[1]

Wells actually completed in the current month may not be reported until several months later. The chart shown below illustrates the cumulative number of well completions for the current month and each of the eleven prior months, as now reported to the API. For comparison purposes, a corresponding curve describes the data, as then reported to the API, for the same twelve-month period a year ago.

These data are preliminary and subject to revision. The number of wells shown in the chart excludes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. The geographic distribution for wells and footage is not published on a monthly basis, but is available from the API's "Quarterly Completion Report."

Cumulative Number of Wells Reported as Completed
For Each of the Past 12 Months

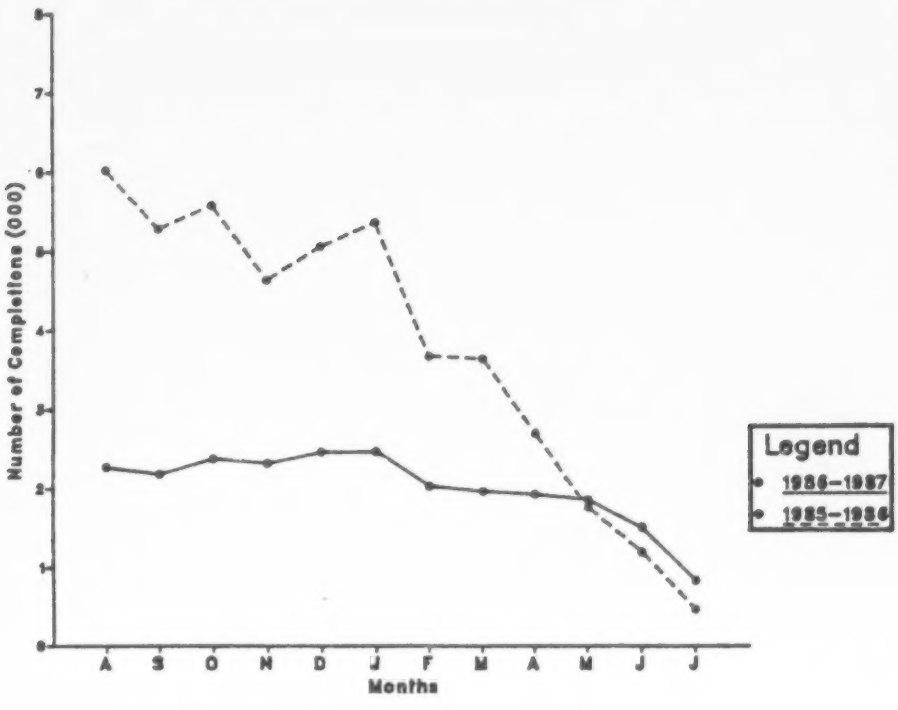

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF JULY 31, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	5,818	25,407,435	2,209	13,281,913	4,501	23,086,449	12,528	61,775,797	12,716	62,451,773
1987: JUL	321	1,215,283	60	401,779	450	2,213,002	831	3,830,064	837	3,848,175
JUN	704	3,015,802	168	1,058,588	626	3,148,645	1,498	7,223,035	1,527	7,318,540
MAY	928	4,069,436	282	1,774,292	636	3,414,037	1,846	9,257,765	1,885	9,439,419
APR	881	3,995,823	345	2,186,239	691	3,403,670	1,917	9,585,732	1,934	9,656,607
MAR	890	4,055,856	408	2,373,223	653	3,404,928	1,951	9,834,007	1,977	9,921,781
FEB	964	4,240,999	426	2,507,270	630	3,130,728	2,020	9,878,997	2,056	10,005,018
JAN	1,130	4,814,236	520	2,980,522	815	4,371,439	2,465	12,166,197	2,500	12,262,233
TOTAL 1986	17,367	71,345,423	7,004	38,724,847	11,594	57,702,160	35,965	167,772,430	36,579	169,883,540
1986: DEC	1,055	4,417,058	509	2,895,831	900	4,623,917	2,464	11,936,806	2,523	12,117,072
NOV	1,053	3,990,384	455	2,589,502	815	4,053,439	2,323	10,633,325	2,356	10,753,586
OCT	1,049	4,021,401	540	2,899,935	787	3,851,380	2,376	10,772,716	2,423	10,930,943
SEP	948	3,740,259	500	2,592,953	733	3,688,260	2,181	10,021,472	2,206	10,106,363
AUG	903	3,803,205	520	2,628,297	844	3,816,901	2,267	10,248,403	2,307	10,373,038
JUL	933	4,108,728	531	2,627,805	806	3,904,731	2,270	10,641,264	2,319	10,798,223
JUN	944	3,987,321	482	2,611,383	763	3,591,489	2,189	10,190,193	2,221	10,305,836
MAY	1,102	4,942,177	473	2,690,692	848	4,303,177	2,423	11,936,046	2,495	12,219,135
APR	1,644	7,316,893	622	3,772,149	992	4,827,625	3,258	15,916,667	3,316	16,128,467
MAR	2,247	9,474,332	696	4,129,458	1,255	6,198,568	4,198	19,802,358	4,250	19,962,235
FEB	2,279	9,673,526	687	4,039,308	1,149	6,230,772	4,115	19,943,606	4,178	20,185,111
JAN	3,210	11,870,139	989	5,247,534	1,702	8,611,901	5,901	25,729,574	5,985	26,003,531
TOTAL 1985	35,482	139,924,036	12,498	69,129,073	20,784	101,783,415	68,764	310,836,524	70,416	315,971,757
1985: DEC	2,767	11,164,578	901	5,083,308	1,787	9,054,370	5,455	25,302,256	5,556	25,639,650
NOV	2,539	10,071,217	872	4,996,009	1,522	7,485,022	4,933	22,552,248	5,009	22,835,437
OCT	2,962	11,602,813	1,186	6,074,099	1,746	8,356,480	5,894	26,033,392	5,991	26,359,221
SEP	2,796	10,593,115	1,068	5,562,978	1,697	8,191,962	5,561	24,348,055	5,659	24,608,645
AUG	3,273	12,364,844	1,106	5,951,047	1,898	8,862,394	6,277	27,178,285	6,376	27,466,029
JUL	3,063	11,253,989	1,082	5,904,701	1,813	8,382,360	5,958	25,541,050	6,118	25,992,680
JUN	2,939	11,223,072	1,013	5,425,467	1,654	7,674,998	5,606	24,323,537	5,752	24,785,088
MAY	2,847	11,630,614	904	5,069,508	1,653	8,173,048	5,404	24,873,170	5,600	25,471,205
APR	2,958	11,902,170	994	5,808,131	1,728	8,515,686	5,680	26,225,987	5,833	26,650,208
MAR	3,238	13,180,453	1,093	6,277,052	1,818	8,907,879	6,149	28,365,384	6,357	28,919,543
FEB	2,814	11,690,491	1,084	6,197,374	1,509	7,876,447	5,407	25,764,312	5,544	26,216,894
JAN	3,286	13,246,680	1,195	6,779,399	1,959	10,302,769	6,440	30,328,848	6,621	31,027,157
TOTAL 1984	43,709	166,352,415	14,690	80,683,545	25,038	118,192,017	83,437	365,227,977	85,650	370,999,052
TOTAL 1983	38,205	140,738,922	12,702	69,799,674	23,710	103,447,438	74,617	313,986,034	76,648	318,755,686

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TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF JULY 31, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	357	2,257,128	263	1,773,815	2,182	11,773,855	2,802	15,804,798
1987: JUL	17	70,874	4	31,340	202	1,026,109	223	1,128,323
JUN	44	313,252	14	79,031	301	1,594,626	359	1,986,909
MAY	54	322,983	39	274,761	306	1,686,447	399	2,284,191
APR	55	363,361	41	246,760	317	1,632,153	413	2,242,274
MAR	51	361,927	51	325,631	335	1,799,604	437	2,487,162
FEB	52	337,683	47	328,594	301	1,541,612	400	2,207,889
JAN	84	487,048	67	487,698	420	2,493,304	571	3,468,050
TOTAL 1986	954	5,801,317	710	4,859,559	5,179	29,056,399	6,843	39,717,275
1986: DEC	72	474,008	45	320,261	465	2,571,574	582	3,365,843
NOV	55	306,440	52	348,462	403	2,099,350	510	2,754,252
OCT	46	281,243	43	312,916	359	1,940,993	448	2,535,152
SEP	41	188,806	62	354,675	312	1,723,710	415	2,267,191
AUG	48	253,581	58	350,927	368	1,915,120	474	2,519,628
JUL	71	398,225	57	331,234	353	1,837,570	481	2,567,029
JUN	54	307,022	45	286,926	311	1,711,117	410	2,305,065
MAY	73	421,938	41	342,284	403	2,315,283	517	3,079,505
APR	92	648,701	63	516,288	440	2,456,452	595	3,621,441
MAR	111	751,183	65	529,566	541	3,124,569	717	4,405,318
FEB	113	729,854	73	529,741	491	3,117,279	677	4,376,874
JAN	178	1,040,316	106	636,279	733	4,243,382	1,017	5,919,977
TOTAL 1985	1,705	10,025,556	1,267	8,588,239	8,981	48,983,225	11,953	67,597,020
1985: DEC	145	858,892	87	601,883	843	4,719,871	1,075	6,180,646
NOV	105	618,639	89	676,036	679	3,697,217	873	4,991,892
OCT	142	797,510	86	519,008	775	4,048,589	1,003	5,365,107
SEP	113	622,860	78	536,339	737	3,938,163	928	5,097,362
AUG	165	985,120	99	664,614	804	4,152,084	1,068	5,801,818
JUL	130	754,334	95	605,360	755	3,883,747	980	5,243,441
JUN	125	665,297	117	830,469	698	3,449,033	940	4,944,799
MAY	152	898,719	123	782,022	682	3,800,401	957	5,481,142
APR	125	703,572	116	805,196	717	4,025,578	958	5,534,346
MAR	174	1,066,506	111	720,714	739	4,123,251	1,024	5,910,471
FEB	161	1,016,343	120	842,658	686	4,079,789	967	5,938,790
JAN	168	1,037,764	146	1,003,940	866	5,065,502	1,180	7,107,206
TOTAL 1984	2,307	12,525,855	1,571	9,916,901	11,093	58,391,125	14,971	80,833,881
TOTAL 1983	2,142	10,671,245	1,623	10,130,975	10,105	48,453,663	13,870	69,255,883

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING JULY 1987

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	1,119	4,798,613	442	2,451,052	881	4,374,762	2,442	11,624,427	2,490	11,766,232
1987: JUL	321	1,215,283	60	401,779	450	2,213,002	831	3,830,064	837	3,848,175
JUN	496	2,203,155	135	868,156	269	1,387,805	900	4,459,116	919	4,504,079
MAY	154	721,586	77	451,406	67	330,881	298	1,503,873	312	1,560,062
APR	76	360,716	34	190,960	40	189,424	150	741,100	153	755,120
MAR	33	131,870	34	153,153	27	95,932	94	380,955	95	381,129
FEB	20	84,666	38	146,541	12	57,573	70	288,780	75	297,128
JAN	19	81,337	64	239,057	16	100,145	99	420,539	99	420,539
TOTAL 1986	164	512,198	112	419,851	94	246,577	370	1,178,626	371	1,180,154
1986: DEC	23	67,270	21	61,854	11	46,772	55	175,896	55	175,896
NOV	20	48,139	20	66,382	9	42,866	49	157,387	50	158,915
OCT	17	56,446	21	81,810	6	18,392	44	156,648	44	156,648
SEP	11	34,169	13	54,372	0	0	24	88,541	24	88,541
AUG	19	50,414	11	41,127	6	11,904	36	103,445	36	103,445
JUL	10	40,951	5	13,428	4	17,617	19	71,996	19	71,996
JUN	9	39,983	4	12,107	12	25,086	25	77,176	25	77,176
MAY	9	21,178	2	3,029	10	26,028	21	50,235	21	50,235
APR	8	40,022	4	38,819	14	11,372	26	90,213	26	90,213
MAR	6	16,985	2	18,077	5	19,067	13	54,129	13	54,129
FEB	9	30,458	7	24,393	7	18,605	23	73,456	23	73,456
JAN	23	66,183	2	4,453	10	8,868	35	79,504	35	79,504
TOTAL 1985	89	245,935	17	57,798	97	145,396	203	449,129	203	449,129
1985: DEC	16	42,652	4	9,083	12	15,822	32	67,557	32	67,557
NOV	7	16,934	3	6,995	5	11,369	15	35,298	15	35,298
OCT	18	33,950	0	0	12	12,835	30	46,785	30	46,785
SEP	9	20,005	4	13,431	11	12,517	24	45,953	24	45,953
AUG	4	4,161	3	11,034	7	14,353	14	29,548	14	29,548
JUL	2	5,350	0	0	12	30,604	14	35,954	14	35,954
JUN	4	6,081	1	1,470	12	23,673	17	31,224	17	31,224
MAY	9	33,407	0	0	6	3,732	15	37,139	15	37,139
APR	9	50,056	1	11,680	5	2,548	15	64,284	15	64,284
MAR	6	18,682	1	4,105	9	5,979	16	28,766	16	28,766
FEB	4	11,498	0	0	1	3,082	5	14,580	5	14,580
JAN	1	3,159	0	0	5	8,882	6	12,041	6	12,041
TOTAL 1984	44	103,754	3	5,114	48	103,836	95	212,704	101	220,804
YRS PRIOR TO 1984	34	98,011	10	29,295	28	86,841	72	214,147	74	217,197
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,450	5,758,511	584	2,963,110	1,148	4,957,412	3,182	13,679,033	3,239	13,833,516

See footnotes on page 5.

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REPORT ON WELL COMPLETIONS IN THE UNITED STATES[1]

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Cumulative Number of Wells Reported as Completed
For Each of the Past 12 Months

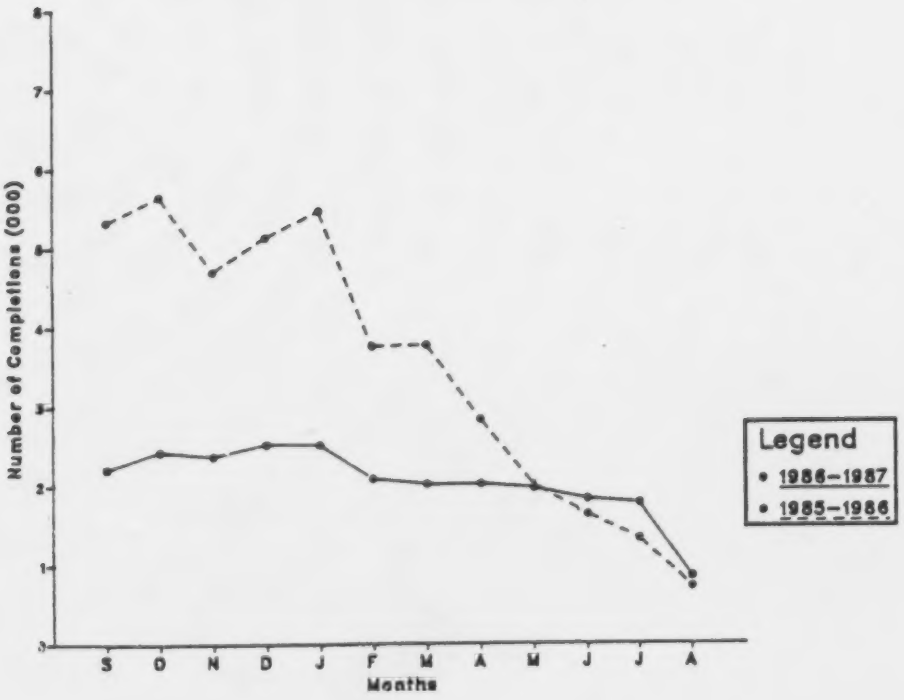

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF AUGUST 28, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	7,017	30,202,758	2,722	16,482,661	5,325	27,297,117	15,064	73,982,536	15,291	74,803,091
1987: AUG	346	1,265,980	90	487,190	418	2,223,759	854	3,976,929	865	4,007,437
JUL	848	3,332,258	240	1,692,655	690	3,385,278	1,778	8,410,191	1,797	8,482,639
JUN	866	3,771,825	264	1,768,582	697	3,583,246	1,827	9,123,653	1,858	9,226,495
MAY	982	4,330,431	318	1,992,538	668	3,571,512	1,968	9,894,481	2,013	10,101,176
APR	923	4,165,060	368	2,322,058	726	3,521,968	2,017	10,009,086	2,034	10,079,961
MAR	916	4,170,907	433	2,477,065	669	3,470,996	2,018	10,118,968	2,047	10,221,548
FEB	984	4,288,746	462	2,681,951	639	3,143,396	2,085	10,114,093	2,121	10,240,114
JAN	1,152	4,877,551	547	3,060,622	818	4,396,962	2,517	12,335,135	2,556	12,443,721
TOTAL 1986	17,458	71,587,923	7,156	39,306,412	11,663	57,925,677	36,277	168,820,012	36,896	170,938,959
1986: DEC	1,064	4,441,864	546	3,036,364	913	4,679,110	2,523	12,157,338	2,582	12,337,604
NOV	1,060	4,005,033	491	2,736,166	820	4,074,854	2,371	10,816,053	2,404	10,936,314
OCT	1,056	4,046,676	576	3,051,271	795	3,880,516	2,427	10,978,463	2,474	11,136,690
SEP	958	3,755,568	515	2,647,781	734	3,694,362	2,207	10,097,711	2,232	10,182,602
AUG	914	3,824,631	521	2,631,744	844	3,816,066	2,279	10,272,441	2,319	10,397,076
JUL	944	4,137,273	535	2,640,885	813	3,916,426	2,292	10,694,584	2,341	10,851,543
JUN	943	3,980,017	488	2,634,250	765	3,594,080	2,196	10,208,347	2,229	10,324,754
MAY	1,104	4,946,882	473	2,678,940	857	4,318,676	2,434	11,946,498	2,506	12,229,587
APR	1,650	7,328,228	627	3,786,659	998	4,830,007	3,275	15,944,894	3,334	16,159,217
MAR	2,255	9,486,868	699	4,149,538	1,259	6,220,637	4,213	19,857,043	4,265	20,016,920
FEB	2,285	9,708,279	689	4,048,043	1,153	6,264,031	4,127	20,020,353	4,190	20,261,858
JAN	3,225	11,924,604	996	5,264,771	1,712	8,636,912	5,933	25,826,287	6,020	26,104,794
TOTAL 1985	35,569	140,116,144	12,525	69,218,167	20,827	101,873,745	68,921	311,208,056	70,583	316,385,395
1985: DEC	2,777	11,182,504	903	5,094,911	1,790	9,067,945	5,470	25,345,360	5,571	25,682,754
NOV	2,545	10,083,838	877	5,015,147	1,524	7,496,889	4,946	22,595,874	5,027	22,892,803
OCT	2,975	11,648,394	1,190	6,082,289	1,751	8,352,161	5,916	26,082,844	6,014	26,410,278
SEP	2,810	10,610,364	1,070	5,566,347	1,697	8,191,962	5,577	24,368,673	5,675	24,629,263
AUG	3,282	12,386,025	1,108	5,958,656	1,903	8,869,940	6,293	27,214,621	6,393	27,508,215
JUL	3,073	11,270,780	1,083	5,906,553	1,819	8,391,141	5,975	25,568,474	6,137	26,033,990
JUN	2,944	11,228,747	1,014	5,438,467	1,658	7,677,956	5,616	24,345,170	5,762	24,806,721
MAY	2,856	11,656,048	908	5,076,739	1,659	8,193,632	5,423	24,926,419	5,619	25,524,454
APR	2,959	11,911,160	995	5,814,631	1,732	8,523,058	5,686	26,248,849	5,840	26,680,095
MAR	3,241	13,185,267	1,093	6,277,052	1,821	8,909,976	6,155	28,372,295	6,363	28,926,454
FEB	2,816	11,693,433	1,086	6,199,403	1,511	7,889,078	5,413	25,781,914	5,550	26,234,496
JAN	3,291	13,259,584	1,198	6,787,972	1,962	10,310,007	6,451	30,357,563	6,632	31,055,872
TOTAL 1984	43,735	166,423,409	14,701	80,726,423	25,072	118,264,612	83,508	365,414,444	85,727	371,202,490
TOTAL 1983	38,219	140,761,131	12,708	69,823,363	23,731	103,498,588	74,658	314,083,082	76,689	318,852,734

See footnotes on page 5.

TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF AUGUST 28, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	413	2,571,441	312	2,148,004	2,575	13,884,487	3,300	18,603,932
1987: AUG	12	91,116	9	61,937	209	1,112,314	230	1,265,367
JUL	43	205,186	20	148,912	323	1,700,538	386	2,054,636
JUN	52	344,664	27	192,063	327	1,766,594	406	2,303,321
MAY	60	355,868	42	316,539	321	1,750,919	423	2,423,326
APR	55	363,343	46	267,122	330	1,689,961	431	2,320,426
MAR	55	385,462	50	323,827	339	1,815,090	444	2,524,379
FEB	52	338,754	49	341,557	303	1,532,422	404	2,212,733
JAN	84	487,048	69	496,047	423	2,516,649	576	3,499,744
TOTAL 1986	958	5,823,710	714	4,891,937	5,198	29,111,677	6,870	39,827,324
1986: DEC	72	474,008	46	326,877	469	2,609,896	587	3,410,781
NOV	56	312,504	54	368,647	406	2,109,155	516	2,790,306
OCT	48	295,317	43	312,916	360	1,945,889	451	2,554,122
SEP	41	188,806	62	354,675	312	1,723,710	415	2,267,191
AUG	48	253,581	58	350,927	368	1,915,120	474	2,519,628
JUL	71	398,225	58	336,811	353	1,832,050	482	2,567,086
JUN	54	307,022	45	286,926	311	1,711,117	410	2,305,065
MAY	73	421,938	41	342,284	409	2,320,733	523	3,084,955
APR	92	648,701	63	516,288	441	2,452,284	596	3,617,273
MAR	112	753,438	65	529,566	541	3,123,069	718	4,406,073
FEB	113	729,854	73	529,741	492	3,122,924	678	4,382,519
JAN	178	1,040,316	106	636,279	736	4,245,730	1,020	5,922,325
TOTAL 1985	1,706	10,029,656	1,268	8,601,239	8,995	49,007,690	11,969	67,638,585
1985: DEC	146	862,992	87	601,883	844	4,724,571	1,077	6,189,446
NOV	105	618,639	89	676,036	680	3,709,075	874	5,003,750
OCT	142	797,510	86	519,008	776	4,049,479	1,004	5,365,997
SEP	113	622,860	78	536,339	737	3,938,163	928	5,097,362
AUG	165	985,120	99	664,614	804	4,152,084	1,068	5,801,818
JUL	130	754,334	95	605,360	759	3,886,529	984	5,246,223
JUN	125	665,297	118	843,469	699	3,449,838	942	4,958,604
MAY	152	898,719	123	782,022	683	3,800,912	958	5,481,653
APR	125	703,572	116	805,196	718	4,026,175	959	5,534,943
MAR	174	1,066,506	111	720,714	741	4,124,348	1,026	5,911,568
FEB	161	1,016,343	120	842,658	688	4,081,014	969	5,940,015
JAN	168	1,037,764	146	1,003,940	866	5,065,502	1,180	7,107,206
TOTAL 1984	2,308	12,531,045	1,572	9,925,496	11,113	58,424,142	14,993	80,880,683
TOTAL 1983	2,142	10,671,245	1,623	10,130,975	10,116	48,479,536	13,881	69,281,756

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING AUGUST 1987

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	1,195	4,772,981	507	3,187,518	826	4,221,218	2,528	12,181,717	2,562	12,308,631
1987: AUG	346	1,265,980	90	487,190	418	2,223,759	854	3,976,929	865	4,007,437
JUL	525	2,109,303	180	1,300,931	240	1,179,349	945	4,589,583	958	4,643,920
JUN	167	782,584	95	700,581	70	421,232	332	1,904,397	334	1,911,734
MAY	47	226,611	31	200,874	33	167,428	111	594,913	116	614,839
APR	41	161,586	24	140,635	33	111,814	98	414,035	98	414,035
MAR	24	97,828	24	99,204	16	66,068	64	263,100	67	277,906
FEB	22	64,775	37	179,024	10	25,717	69	269,516	69	269,516
JAN	23	64,314	26	79,079	6	25,851	55	169,244	55	169,244
TOTAL 1986	83	187,050	151	588,582	72	248,182	306	1,023,814	309	1,028,753
1986: DEC	9	24,803	36	138,942	13	55,193	58	218,938	58	218,938
NOV	7	14,648	36	146,649	4	19,045	47	180,342	47	180,342
OCT	6	17,275	36	151,336	7	24,861	49	193,472	49	193,472
SEP	10	15,301	15	54,826	1	8,777	26	78,904	26	78,904
AUG	11	21,426	1	3,447	1	400	13	25,273	13	25,273
JUL	9	15,238	4	13,080	8	17,688	21	46,006	21	46,006
JUN	0	0	5	18,867	2	2,591	7	21,458	8	22,222
MAY	2	6,705	1	873	9	15,491	12	23,069	12	23,069
APR	6	11,335	5	14,510	7	15,372	18	41,217	19	43,740
MAR	7	10,281	3	20,080	5	25,834	15	56,195	15	56,195
FEB	5	25,743	2	8,735	5	37,807	12	72,285	12	72,285
JAN	11	24,295	7	17,237	10	25,123	28	66,655	29	68,307
TOTAL 1985	82	163,952	27	89,094	43	95,821	152	348,867	162	390,973
1985: DEC	10	15,382	2	11,603	2	8,875	14	35,860	14	35,860
NOV	6	12,609	5	19,138	2	11,859	13	43,606	18	57,346
OCT	11	30,309	4	8,190	5	5,231	20	43,730	21	45,335
SEP	14	17,249	2	3,369	0	0	16	20,618	16	20,618
AUG	10	24,482	2	7,609	5	7,546	17	39,637	18	45,487
JUL	10	16,791	1	1,852	6	8,781	17	27,424	19	41,310
JUN	5	5,675	1	13,000	4	2,958	10	21,633	10	21,633
MAY	6	13,035	4	7,231	6	20,584	16	40,850	16	40,850
APR	1	8,990	1	6,500	4	7,372	6	22,862	7	29,887
MAR	2	3,584	0	0	3	2,097	5	5,681	5	5,681
FEB	2	2,942	2	2,029	3	13,280	7	18,251	7	18,251
JAN	5	12,904	3	8,573	3	7,238	11	28,715	11	28,715
TOTAL 1984	27	74,705	10	34,283	33	58,384	70	167,372	76	184,343
YRS PRIOR TO 1984	22	45,684	5	16,917	36	109,321	63	171,922	63	171,922
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,409	5,244,372	700	3,916,394	1,010	4,732,926	3,119	13,893,692	3,172	14,084,622

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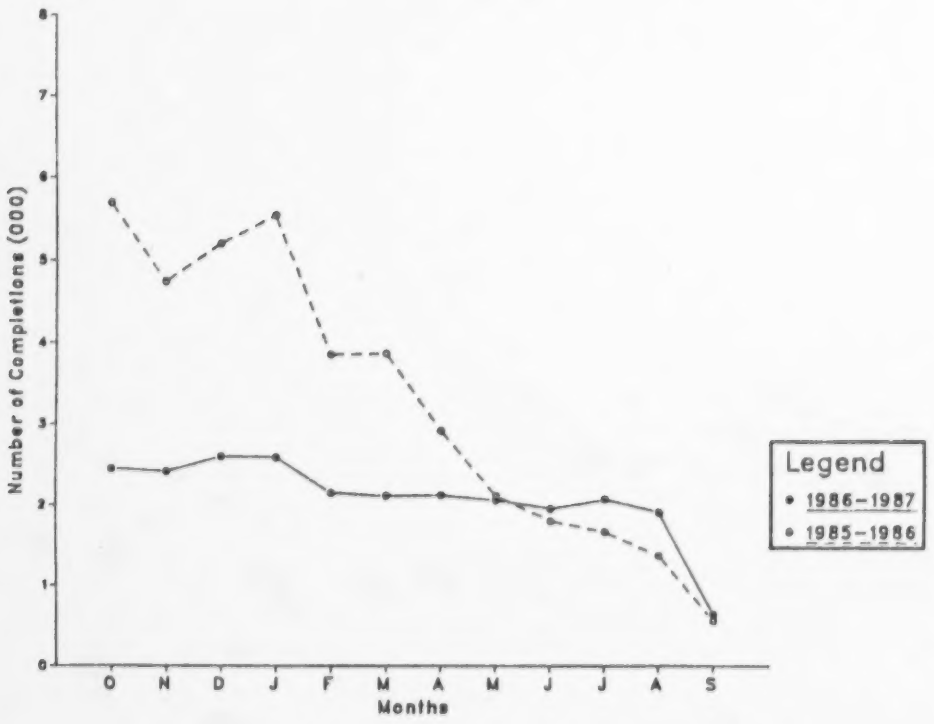

TABLE I: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF TOTAL WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF SEPTEMBER 25, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES		TOTAL ALL WELLS[4]	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	8,157	34,905,654	3,210	19,100,431	6,148	31,282,670	17,515	85,288,755	17,786	86,261,780
1987: SEP	245	992,750	34	207,997	354	1,820,197	633	3,020,944	640	3,039,221
AUG	919	3,675,707	262	1,478,621	720	3,730,900	1,901	8,885,228	1,925	8,968,007
JUL	979	3,924,538	323	2,211,820	760	3,720,746	2,062	9,857,104	2,098	9,982,889
JUN	931	4,046,294	297	1,932,326	716	3,684,371	1,944	9,662,991	1,976	9,769,328
MAY	1,010	4,427,982	355	2,213,475	683	3,604,018	2,048	10,245,475	2,097	10,469,106
APR	960	4,320,560	399	2,422,871	751	3,589,568	2,110	10,332,999	2,127	10,403,874
MAR	939	4,249,079	471	2,644,419	692	3,526,199	2,102	10,419,697	2,132	10,527,031
FEB	1,000	4,322,136	485	2,776,768	651	3,196,959	2,136	10,295,863	2,172	10,421,884
JAN	1,174	4,946,608	584	3,212,134	821	4,409,712	2,579	12,568,454	2,619	12,680,440
TOTAL 1986	17,553	71,892,813	7,258	39,714,961	11,708	58,070,355	36,519	169,678,129	37,142	171,806,071
1986: DEC	1,082	4,516,740	584	3,207,825	924	4,719,359	2,590	12,443,924	2,650	12,629,540
NOV	1,069	4,040,499	514	2,824,581	827	4,099,539	2,410	10,964,619	2,444	11,086,112
OCT	1,063	4,065,203	585	3,093,188	798	3,900,551	2,446	11,058,942	2,494	11,218,335
SEP	965	3,768,626	524	2,685,651	737	3,709,625	2,226	10,163,902	2,251	10,248,793
AUG	920	3,850,330	528	2,642,477	849	3,825,180	2,297	10,317,987	2,337	10,442,622
JUL	946	4,138,446	539	2,651,716	816	3,917,715	2,301	10,707,877	2,350	10,864,836
JUN	944	3,985,317	489	2,636,991	763	3,581,133	2,196	10,203,441	2,229	10,319,848
MAY	1,116	4,963,284	474	2,677,304	861	4,330,910	2,451	11,971,498	2,523	12,254,587
APR	1,655	7,346,770	630	3,793,236	1,000	4,835,597	3,285	15,975,603	3,344	16,189,926
MAR	2,258	9,504,637	701	4,158,107	1,262	6,237,477	4,221	19,900,221	4,274	20,061,345
FEB	2,294	9,733,381	689	4,048,043	1,156	6,271,810	4,139	20,053,234	4,202	20,294,739
JAN	3,241	11,979,580	1,001	5,295,842	1,715	8,641,459	5,957	25,916,881	6,044	26,195,388
TOTAL 1985	35,628	140,258,328	12,552	69,342,504	20,863	101,966,252	69,043	311,567,084	70,717	316,758,729
1985: DEC	2,784	11,206,026	914	5,154,267	1,795	9,074,678	5,493	25,434,971	5,601	25,779,812
NOV	2,553	10,093,816	883	5,047,143	1,524	7,496,922	4,960	22,637,881	5,041	22,934,810
OCT	2,983	11,664,093	1,190	6,081,247	1,753	8,362,800	5,926	26,108,140	6,024	26,435,574
SEP	2,815	10,617,688	1,070	5,566,347	1,702	8,205,308	5,587	24,389,343	5,685	24,649,933
AUG	3,288	12,398,532	1,109	5,959,260	1,904	8,870,800	6,301	27,228,592	6,402	27,523,971
JUL	3,080	11,278,733	1,084	5,912,178	1,822	8,399,174	5,986	25,590,085	6,148	26,055,601
JUN	2,947	11,233,479	1,014	5,438,467	1,661	7,688,650	5,622	24,360,596	5,768	24,822,147
MAY	2,863	11,692,762	909	5,082,979	1,662	8,202,587	5,434	24,978,328	5,631	25,577,903
APR	2,961	11,920,873	996	5,820,918	1,734	8,524,401	5,691	26,266,192	5,845	26,697,438
MAR	3,243	13,190,059	1,096	6,285,726	1,824	8,924,246	6,163	28,400,031	6,373	28,956,502
FEB	2,819	11,700,561	1,086	6,199,403	1,512	7,891,807	5,417	25,791,771	5,555	26,245,575
JAN	3,292	13,261,706	1,201	6,794,569	1,970	10,324,879	6,463	30,381,154	6,644	31,079,463
TOTAL 1984	43,759	166,478,153	14,727	80,835,146	25,089	118,313,287	83,575	365,626,586	85,797	371,421,019
TOTAL 1983	38,240	140,802,254	12,711	69,836,240	23,749	103,540,855	74,700	314,179,349	76,731	318,949,001

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TABLE II: CUMULATIVE NUMBER OF EXPLORATORY WELLS AND FOOTAGE DRILLED IN THE UNITED STATES BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR, AS OF SEPTEMBER 25, 1987[1]

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS & DRY HOLES	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	481	2,944,822	371	2,541,528	2,966	15,917,365	3,818	21,403,715
1987: SEP	14	87,443	4	32,734	186	1,023,674	204	1,143,851
AUG	36	221,859	28	178,492	350	1,894,478	414	2,294,829
JUL	54	261,360	33	246,947	351	1,825,384	438	2,333,691
JUN	58	376,680	36	256,672	330	1,781,478	424	2,414,830
MAY	63	368,178	49	365,950	330	1,780,199	442	2,514,327
APR	59	387,003	51	281,023	336	1,694,189	446	2,362,215
MAR	57	408,419	50	323,827	350	1,843,151	457	2,575,397
FEB	52	338,754	51	359,836	310	1,557,913	413	2,256,503
JAN	88	495,126	69	496,047	423	2,516,899	580	3,508,072
TOTAL 1986	962	5,826,615	719	4,900,601	5,211	29,162,418	6,892	39,889,634
1986: DEC	73	474,691	47	329,222	469	2,609,903	589	3,413,816
NOV	56	312,504	55	369,415	409	2,120,956	520	2,802,875
OCT	48	295,317	43	312,916	361	1,957,188	452	2,565,421
SEP	42	189,022	63	356,005	315	1,740,343	420	2,285,370
AUG	48	253,581	58	350,905	369	1,918,135	475	2,522,621
JUL	72	399,381	58	336,811	353	1,831,202	483	2,567,394
JUN	54	307,022	46	289,667	311	1,711,117	411	2,307,806
MAY	73	421,938	41	342,264	412	2,325,547	526	3,089,769
APR	92	648,701	64	517,790	442	2,454,204	598	3,620,695
MAR	112	753,438	65	529,566	541	3,123,069	718	4,406,073
FEB	113	729,854	73	529,741	493	3,125,024	679	4,384,619
JAN	179	1,041,166	106	636,279	736	4,245,730	1,021	5,923,175
TOTAL 1985	1,709	10,032,266	1,267	8,578,793	9,006	49,044,328	11,982	67,655,387
1985: DEC	146	862,999	87	601,883	845	4,724,715	1,078	6,189,597
NOV	106	619,559	89	676,036	680	3,709,108	875	5,004,703
OCT	142	797,510	85	507,858	775	4,039,979	1,002	5,345,347
SEP	114	623,773	78	536,339	738	3,944,663	930	5,104,775
AUG	165	985,120	100	665,218	804	4,152,084	1,069	5,802,422
JUL	130	754,334	94	593,460	761	3,891,562	985	5,239,356
JUN	125	665,297	118	843,469	700	3,457,717	943	4,966,483
MAY	152	898,719	123	782,022	685	3,808,831	960	5,489,572
APR	126	704,342	116	805,196	718	4,026,175	960	5,535,713
MAR	174	1,066,506	111	720,714	742	4,133,888	1,027	5,921,108
FEB	161	1,016,343	120	842,658	688	4,081,014	969	5,940,015
JAN	168	1,037,764	146	1,003,940	870	5,074,592	1,184	7,116,296
TOTAL 1984	2,309	12,531,798	1,574	9,927,813	11,115	58,428,855	14,998	80,888,466
TOTAL 1983	2,144	10,672,729	1,623	10,130,975	10,122	48,487,958	13,889	69,291,662

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TABLE III: TOTAL NUMBER OF WELLS AND FOOTAGE ADDITIONS[1] BY COMPLETION MONTH AND YEAR REPORTED TO THE API DURING SEPTEMBER 1987

	OIL WELLS[2]		GAS WELLS[3]		DRY HOLES		TOTAL OIL & GAS AND DRY HOLES		TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[4] CURRENT MONTH	
	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE	WELLS	FOOTAGE
TOTAL 1987	1,139	4,701,162	488	2,615,850	823	3,980,856	2,450	11,297,868	2,495	11,453,538
1987: SEP	245	992,750	34	207,997	354	1,820,197	633	3,020,944	640	3,039,221
AUG	574	2,413,208	174	1,014,291	302	1,498,979	1,050	4,926,478	1,063	4,978,749
JUL	131	589,382	84	520,381	67	331,935	282	1,441,698	299	1,495,035
JUN	63	273,408	32	165,762	23	101,500	118	540,670	119	544,165
MAY	28	108,076	35	190,885	15	48,546	78	347,507	82	364,443
APR	36	145,146	30	93,851	23	53,315	89	292,312	89	292,312
MAR	24	82,617	38	164,354	22	51,998	84	298,969	86	306,923
FEB	16	33,031	24	106,817	12	53,286	52	193,134	52	193,134
JAN	22	63,544	37	151,512	5	21,100	64	236,156	65	239,556
TOTAL 1986	88	286,846	100	396,235	51	159,457	239	842,538	243	851,533
1986: DEC	19	81,453	38	171,461	11	40,265	68	293,179	69	298,529
NOV	7	30,776	23	88,415	7	24,685	37	143,876	38	145,108
OCT	7	18,527	8	29,745	3	20,030	18	68,302	19	69,468
SEP	7	13,054	9	37,870	4	17,464	20	68,388	20	68,388
AUG	6	26,029	6	10,135	5	9,114	17	45,278	17	45,278
JUL	0	0	3	6,661	4	2,439	7	9,100	7	9,100
JUN	0	0	1	2,741	3	3,133	4	5,874	4	5,874
MAY	13	19,696	2	2,990	3	7,614	18	30,300	18	30,300
APR	3	12,716	3	6,577	2	5,590	8	24,883	8	24,883
MAR	3	15,550	2	8,569	3	16,830	8	40,949	9	42,196
FEB	8	23,701	0	0	3	7,746	11	31,447	11	31,447
JAN	15	45,344	5	31,071	3	4,547	23	80,962	23	80,962
TOTAL 1985	52	109,043	26	118,616	34	84,050	112	311,709	124	326,015
1985: DEC	6	20,655	10	52,593	5	6,714	21	79,962	28	87,409
NOV	8	9,978	6	31,996	0	0	14	41,974	14	41,974
OCT	7	13,099	0	0	2	10,639	9	23,738	9	23,738
SEP	4	6,754	0	0	5	13,346	9	20,100	9	20,100
AUG	6	12,507	1	604	1	860	8	13,971	9	15,756
JUL	7	7,953	1	5,625	3	8,033	11	21,611	11	21,611
JUN	3	4,732	0	0	2	2,815	5	7,547	5	7,547
MAY	3	10,949	1	6,240	3	8,955	7	26,144	8	27,684
APR	3	10,496	1	6,287	1	823	5	17,606	5	17,606
MAR	2	4,792	3	8,674	3	14,270	8	27,736	10	30,048
FEB	3	7,128	0	0	1	2,723	4	9,851	5	11,073
JAN	0	0	3	6,597	8	14,872	11	21,469	11	21,469
TOTAL 1984	24	55,696	26	108,723	16	43,945	66	208,364	69	214,751
YRS PRIOR TO 1984	25	59,806	7	28,925	40	101,614	72	190,345	72	190,345
TOTAL WELLS REPORTED[5]	1,328	5,212,553	647	3,268,349	964	4,369,922	2,939	12,850,824	3,003	13,036,182

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TABLE I AND TABLE II:

1. The cumulative number of wells reported in this table is the total number of wells included in the API database for each of the months and years shown, as of September 25, 1987. These data are preliminary and subject to further revisions.

2. Includes multiple completion wells which produce oil from at least one zone, but may produce gas from one or more zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well.

3. Includes multiple completion wells which produce gas from all zones. A multiple completion well is counted as one well. Gas wells also include so-called condensate wells.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells. (Not applicable to Table II.)

TABLE III:

1. Total number of wells received by the API during the report month and classified by completion month and year. These wells are included in Tables I and II.

2. See footnote (2) above.

3. See footnote (3) above.

4. Includes stratigraphic and core tests and service wells.

5. Total wells reported are those received by the API for the report period August 29, 1987 through September 25, 1987. The sub-totals shown for each yearly period may not add up to the total wells reported for the period. Some wells, received during the report period, may have been completed in years prior to those shown in Table III.